WEATHER FORECASTS

Victoria and Vicinity—Moderate to fresh easterly winds chiefly cloudy and mild with rain today or Sunday.

Lower Mainland—Light to moderate easterly winds, cloudy and mild with rain today or Sunday.

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PROBABLE USES OF SPECIAL FUND

Rumor That Canadian Pacific Is Planning to Purchase the Canadian Northern Railway Set at Rest.

MAY BE INTENDED FOR NORTHERN WORK

Expansion of Fishing Industry in British Columbia—Meeting of Dominions Trade Commission in London.

OTTAWA, Dec. 26.—Speculation has been rife during the past couple of weeks at Ottawa as to what the Canadian Pacific Railway intends to do with the $42,000,000 nest egg, which it will have by its latest financing. The most interesting story, and one which the Liberal press has assiduously spread, has been that the C. P. R. is preparing to purchase the Canadian Northern Railway, and that this amount is being collected with a view to grabbing the MacKenzie & Mann interests, if they should be forced to be thrown on the market.

Your correspondent is in a position to give this a most emphatic denial. The Government would not permit the C. P. R. to purchase a competing line, which various Canadian Governments have been fostering for years for the sake of securing for the people railway competition. One of the cabinet ministers pointed out that after having come to the aid of the Canadian Northern last year, and tided it over its financial difficulties, it was not likely to allow it to be bought out by the Canadian Pacific. He, as well as other ministers, gave the story a most emphatic denial and strongly declared that if such a move was in the air, it would not be permitted.

It is well known that the C. P. R. has plenty of money for its ordinary construction work, so that there is naturally a good deal of speculation as to what the new fund will be used for. With the C. N. R. proposal eliminated there are several possible stories. The most likely, and the one which it is believed is correct, is that the C. P. R. is planning an aggressive construction campaign in Northern Saskatchewan, Northern Alberta, and Northern British Columbia. The only part of the West which the C. P. R. does not tap is the great northern stretch through the fertile Peace River country, and the great agricultural stretches of Northern British Columbia. Both the C. N. R. and G. T. P. are laying steel, or securing charters in every direction, and it is generally believed that the C. P. R. also is now planning an invasion of the North.

Another rumor has it that part of the money is to be used for the development of the C. P. R. steamship service. The opening of the Panama Canal is going to mean a rearrangement of ocean traffic routes, and it is rumored that the C. P. R. is planning for the impetus to trade which is bound to follow. There are stories at Ottawa that the C. P. R. may open a steamship service direct from British Columbia, through the Panama Canal to the Old Country.

British Columbia Fisheries

The annual report of the fisheries department, issued this past week, shows that British Columbia easily leads the Provinces in the value of its fishing industry. The total marketed value of the fisheries of the Province for last year was $14,455,488. This is an increase of $778,363 over the total for the preceding year, and establishes a new record. The salmon catch was considerably greater than that of the previous year, but its value was over $300,000 less. This falling off in value was due to the fact that a large proportion of the catch consisted of hump-backs and other inferior kinds which, of course, sold at much lower rates than the old sockeyes. The herring catch was much greater and increased its value by over $600,000. The value of the halibut fishery shows an increase of over $600,000; owing to a largely increased catch. As an evidence of the rapid advance of the halibut fisheries in British Columbia in recent years, it may be pointed out that four years ago, its annual value had not reached $1,000,000. Last year the value in round figures was $3,800,000.

Trade Commission

Hon. G. E. Foster, Minister of Trade and Commerce, left this morning for London, England, to attend the sitting of the Dominion Trade Commission. He expects to return to Ottawa the first week in February. In addition to the general trade inquiry being conducted by the commission, the question of ocean freight rates to Canada will be taken up. This matter was reported upon recently by Chairman Drayton of the railway commission, who suggested, on the recommendation of the British Government, that the proper tribunal to investigate the question was the Dominion Royal commission. Evidence will be taken at next month's sitting, but it is probable that the inquiry will not be concluded until the commission meets in Canada next Summer.

Bank Statement

The November bank statement, issued today, shows a decrease of $5,000,000 in demand deposits, an increase of $4,000,000 in notice deposits and $7,000,000 in deposits outside of Canada. A feature is an increase of $29,000,000 in call loans outside of Canada and a decrease of $1,000,000 on such loans in Canada. At the same time current loans have decreased by $32,000,000 in Canada and by $8,000,000 outside. It would appear that the withdrawals by the banks of current loans in the Dominion was simultaneous with expansion of call loans in other countries.

Purchases Many Sheep

REGINA, Sask., Dec. 26—W. T. Smith, of Maple Creek, has purchased 10,000 sheep for breeding purposes.

FOR UNEMPLOYED

San Francisco Authorities Offering Free Quarters and Chance to Earn Money

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27—Free sleeping quarters, free meals and a chance to earn $2.50 for four hours' work, is the chance that will be offered 1,000 unemployed men, by the city today. All that apply at the employment bureau will be assigned work at the site of the new city and county hospital, leveling the ground and clearing away rubbish.

Vacant stores are being converted into temporary lodging houses, and the city authorities believe that within a few days the problem of caring for all unemployed men in San Francisco will have been solved.

MUTINY ON BOARD

British Steamer Returns to Port to Obtain Assistance in Subduing Firemen

DELAWARE BREAKWATER, Del., Dec. 26—The assistance of a revenue cutter has been asked to quell a disturbance among the crew of a British steamer, the Baron Dalmeny, which returned here today with two firemen in irons and four others so badly injured that their recovery is doubtful. The trouble started among the Chinese firemen, but from what cause could not be ascertained. Captain Gordon declares that knives had been smuggled aboard, and that he wil not proceed to sea until his riotous crew is replaced. He has communicated with the British Consul in Philadelphia. The ship, with a cargo of wheat, sailed from Philadelphia yesterday for Avonmouth.

REBEL FORCES NEARING OJINAGA

Attack on Federals Expected in Few Days—Federals Say They Propose Movement Towards Juarez.

JUAREZ, Mex., Dec. 26.—The rebel march to attack the Federals at Ojinaga, opposite Presidio, was proceeding as fast as the artillery of the rebels would permit, according to reports today. It was thought the rebels would be delayed in going through the canyons near Ojinaga. Louis Estrada, an agent of the Federals, gave out the information at Presidio, that the Federals had no intention of remaining at Ojinaga to permit the rebels to attack them. He said the Federals probably would move eastward along the Rio Grande toward Juarez. This report was given no credence by the rebels.

For the first time within a year, freight traffic on the Mexico Northwestern Railway today was open from Juarez to Pearson. Traffic will be extended to Madera and to Chihuahua as soon as the road is repaired.

Fears for Foreigners

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 26.—The situation of foreigners in Mexico, who have incurred the ill-will of the rebels, is giving concern to the State Department officials. The Japanese Ambassador called today on Acting Secretary Moore to request that the United States Government do what it could to protect Japanese in Juarez and in other places along the border.

There is some apprehension that these Japanese may be made to feel the weight of resentment by the rebels because the Federals are receiving arms and ammunition from Japan, although it was already been pointed out that these goods are being delivered under contracts made by Japanese merchants last April.

Acting Secretary Moore promised to instruct the American consuls in the districts to extend the same care to Japanese as they will to Americans.

Although the vessels of the International fleet of the Pacific Coast of Mexico have made visits to most of the important ports on the last few days, no alarming reports have been received from them.

Japanese Would Enlist

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 26.—Fifty Japanese military officers have requested permission through the Mexican special embassy now in Tokyo to enlist in the service of the Mexican army, according to information received by the war office here. The request is in said, is being given consideration.

It is reported that a five hours' skirmish took place today between Federals and followers of Zapata on Capolin Mountain, near Ajusco, at the edge of the Federal district. The Federal commander asserts that forty-five rebels were killed and the others dispersed.

Export of Fish

PORT ELGIN, N. B., Dec. 26.—Port Elgin fish companies have exported 25,000 boxes of smoked bloaters, containing about 100 fish each, to New York. It required thirteen cars to carry this one consignment, over $5,000 was spent here for the fish, which were all taken in about three weeks time. The highest catch made by one fisherman amounted to $280, which is not bad pay for about twenty days' work.

Catholics of Greek Rite

MONTREAL, Dec. 26—Proper religious standing is given to Catholics of the Greek Rite by a special decree from Rome that has been received at the Archbishop's palace. The decree is from the Holy See, and is addressed to the Catholic hierarchy of Canada. In regard to celibacy it declares that priests of this rite in Canada must not marry, although this privilege is accorded such priests in Europe.

Railway Loses by Fire

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 26—A spectacular fire, starting from a cause unknown, swept through the main depot of the Michigan Central Railway here, today. One man was seriously injured. The damage to the depot proper was $150,000. Railway records, freight and express, were also destroyed, and officials of the railway say the total loss will be a quarter of a million dollars.

DEPORTATION OF MINERS' LEADER

Members of Western Federation Allege That President Moyer Was Kidnapped and Sent Out of Calumet.

CITIZENS' ALLIANCE PROFESSES IGNORANCE

Families Bereft by Fire Panic on Christmas Eve Refuse Relief Offered by Citizens' Committee.

CALUMET, Mich., Dec. 26.—Charles H. Moyer, president of the Western Federation of Miners, was put on a train and sent out of the copper strike district tonight. The deportation was the direct result of the refusal of families stricken by the Christmas Eve disaster here to accept relief from a committee, the majority of whose members belonged to the Citizens' Alliance, an organization combating the five months' strike of the federation.

Refusals to accept one cent of the $26,000 collected for relief of the families met the committee which had gathered the funds.

Every bereaved household that was approached told the men and women in charge of the work that they had been promised adequate aid by the Federation of Miners, and that no other assistance was wanted.

Members of the relief committee selected at yesterday's mass meeting blamed this unprecedented condition upon the rumor that the man who started the panic among the children of the striking copper miners wore the emblem of the Citizens' Alliance. To combat this sentiment they obtained from A. Lucas, prosecuting attorney, a statement that he was satisfied from the reports that the man who raised the cry of "fire" wore no insignia of any kind.

Hope of Capturing Miscreant

Efforts to discover the identity of the man who started the panic, met with some success today. Several persons gave lengthy affidavits to the investigators of the prosecuting attorney's office, and from a description furnished by a young boy, it was hoped that the man might be traced.

More important, however, in the minds of the local committee, was the explosion of the report that the miscreant wore a Citizens' Alliance badge. Mrs. Theresa Sizer denied that she had ever made the statement that she had seen such insignia when she grasped him by the shoulders and tried to force him into a seat.

Mrs. Louis Lesh, who was marshalling the children across the stage in Italian Hall, while they were receiving their Christmas gifts, said she heard "fire" repeated three times in English from the middle of the hall. Immediately afterwards, she said, the same voice shouted the alarm in Croatian. Hermann Bibber stated that he thought he saw smoke issuing from the windows, and

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TO LINK RAILS EARLY IN YEAR

Sir William Mackenzie Expects to Drive Last Spike on the Toronto-Winnipeg Section in January.

WILL COMPLETE LINE TO YELLOWHEAD

TORONTO, Dec. 26.—Sir William Mackenzie announced tonight that the last spike in connection with the linking of rails on the C. N. R. system between Toronto and Winnipeg, which section is to be known as the Canadian Northern North Shore, would be driven immediately after the curtain is rung on 1913.

"According to the latest advices from the contractors," said Sir William, "there is every indication that the ceremony will be performed during the first week in January. The event, to be sure, will be vastly important in railway circles by reason of the fact that it will mean another great connecting link between the East and the West."

Sir William will have the honor of driving the last spike.

Sir Donald Mann will also take part in the ceremony, and a number of officials of the line and a party of invited guests will be present. Special cars will convey the party from Toronto to the scene of the ceremony on January 2. The completion of this link will furnish a through line to Yellowhead Pass.

Natives Shot by Explorers

FORT MORESBY, Papua, Dec. 26.—Ten natives have been shot by a party of explorers working in this district. The party penetrated into territory not previously explored, and the natives were killed during a conflict with the white men. Mr. Ryan, the magistrate here, was speared.

Explosion of Kitchen Range

REGINA, Sask., Dec. 26—At the residence of R. Taylor, a kitchen range blew up this afternoon, crashing through the doors in small pieces, tearing up the walls and floor and setting fire to the place.

TRADE WITH AUSTRALIA

Ottawa Government Considering the Suggestion That a Practical Horticulturist Be Sent Over

VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 26.—That the Dominion Government has now under consideration the advisability of sending to Australia a capable horticulturist for the purpose of endeavoring to stimulate a plan for the furtherance of trade relations between the Antipodes and this country with regard to the products of orchard and field, was the statement made today by Mr. Thomas Cunningham, inspector of fruit pests for the Province of British Columbia. Mr. Cunningham would not go into details at the present time, but intimated that the suggestion, which he himself had made to the Department at Ottawa, would in all probability be carried out.

"The difference in seasons between Canada and Australia," said Mr. Cunningham, "makes the interchange of the products of orchard and field between the two countries particularly desirable. Just at the time that it is the off season for vegetables in Australia it is the harvest season with us, and there is no doubt in my mind that this Province will be able to develop a big trade with Australia in connection with apples, potatoes, onions, etc."

Commercial Travelers

TORONTO, Dec. 26—At the annual meeting of the Commercial Travelers' Association of Canada, today, the annual report of E. Fielder, the treasurer, indicated that the finances of the association are in excellent shape. The surplus invested in debentures was $989,997. The cash balance in the bank amounts to $19,003. During the year $60,900 was paid in mortuary benefits.

DUBLIN LEADER TO VISIT STATES

James Larkin Said to Be Preparing to Start for America Next Week—Question of His Exclusion.

DUBLIN, Dec. 26.—James Larkin, the labor leader, it is stated, will start for the United States next week. He, however, declines to say whether he is going or not. When it was suggested today to Larkin that the American authorities might exclude him, he said: "If I wanted to enter the United States all the governments you ever heard of could not keep me out."

Statement From Washington

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 26.—The announcement by James Larkin, the leader of the Irish transport workers, who was released from Mountjoy jail, Dublin, on November 13, after serving but three weeks of his seven months' sentence for sedition and inciting to riot, that he was coming to the United States to carry his "Fiery Cross" mission to the laboring men of this country, raises the question as to whether he is a desirable citizen and fit to be admitted. The immigrant inspectors at the port of New York will have to decide the question, as they did recently in the case of the suffragette leader, Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst. "The question of the admission of James Larkin to this country," said Secretary of Labor Wilson last night, "will have to be passed upon by the inspectors at Ellis Island. My department has nothing to do with the admissibility of any person until his case has been passed upon by the local inspectors. If they should adjudge Larkin an undesirable citizen then he can appeal from the decision to this department. In advance of his landing in America I cannot tell what disposition will be made of his case."

SPREADING SMALLPOX

Men Supposed to Be Kept in Confinement at Walla Walla Are Allowed to Go Abroad

WALAL WALLA, Wash., Dec. 26.—That the smallpox patients of the county, numbering six men, left the premises and came into the city at will, in addition to raiding nearby chicken houses and enjoying midnight feeds, were the complaints made to the officials today. It was alleged that one patient came into a barber shop here, got a shave and gave the disease to the barber, and exposed himself to many others.

Three more cases were discovered today. This brings the total smallpox cases discovered in this city during the past few weeks, to about twenty.

New Wireless Device

PARIS, Dec. 26.—A pocket wireless receiver, resembling a small telephone, was presented to the astronomical Society by Engineer Justin Landry. The instrument needs no mast or antennae, but if brought in contact with a metallic surface, it enables the listener in Paris to hear the time signals from the Eiffel Tower, catching signals over thirty miles radius. A telegraph pole with wires gives the instrument a range of 650 miles.

Yukon Woman Burned

DAWSON, Y. T., Dec. 26—On Christmas eve, at Coal Creek, about fifty miles north of Dawson, Mrs. Hanna was burned to death in bed. Her husband was absent at the time, and two small children, with their mother, were in the cabin. The children escaped in their night clothes. They were unable to arouse their mother.

Fire on Steamer

MELBOURNE, Aus., Dec. 26.—The steamer Ilford, bound from West Australia to New Zealand, put into this port today after her crew had been fighting a bunker fire for two days. The flames were extinguished before her arrival here.

New Life Company

OTTAWA, Dec. 26.—Notice is given in the Canada Gazette that at the next session of Parliament a new insurance company, to be known as the United Empire Life Insurance Company, will ask for incorporation with the right to do business throughout the Dominion.

LORD KITCHENER STAYS IN EGYPT

Rumors of His Coming Appointment to India Viceroyalty Are Denied by Times Correspondent.

OPINIONS DIFFER ON BISLEY CHANGES

Statistics Relating to Increases in Wages in London Industries — Lord Burnham at Eighty Years.

LONDON, Dec. 26—The Times' Cairo correspondent says he is authorized to contradict all rumors that Lord Kitchener, British Governor-General in Egypt, will be appointed in the near future as Viceroy of India.

Proposed Bisley Changes

The proposed alterations in the rules for the Bisley rifle meeting are receiving consideration among the members of the rifle clubs, who are strongly demanding that the proposals be turned down. It is declared, however, that the result of such a step would be the establishment, by the Army Council, of a rifle meeting in opposition to Bisley, to be held at the same time, and to be confined to members of the territorial army, on payment of a small fee. In such an event the King would be placed in the awkward dilemma of having to choose whether to continue his prize to the National Rifle Association, to be shot for at Bisley, or transfer it to the official organization.

Veteran Newspaper Worker

Lord Burnham, the principal proprietor of The Daily Telegraph, will on Saturday celebrate his eightieth birthday. He is still active and still a virile organizer, visiting his office nearly every day. He is notable among English journalists as being the first to use the charitable powers of the newspapers by collecting thousands of pounds in 1864, for Lancashire cotton spinners. It was he who planned the expedition into Central Africa, in search of Dr. Livingstone. He will receive a community birthday gift, subscribed by the staffs of all the papers, which will be presented at his home in Buckinghamshire.

World's Smallest Man

John Wm. White, supposed to be the world's smallest man, being only twenty-one inches tall, died today, aged fifty-three. He had two sisters of normal height, who lived with him, and conducted a confectionery business. White was well educated and an ardent politician.

London Prosperity

Remarkable statistics respecting London's prosperity in 1913, have been compiled by the labor correspondent of The Daily Telegraph, who calculates that 1,000,000 workers received increases in wages aggregating $1,700,000 a week. There were 375 strikes, involving 463,682 workers, and resulting in an aggregate loss of 10,500,000 working days.

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TOLL OF DEATHS FROM ACCIDENTS

Fatalities in Industries in Canada Last Year Numbered 1,220, While 5,750 Received Injuries.

TWO LINES OF WORK ESPECIALLY HAZARDOUS

OTTAWA, Dec. 26.—Industrial accidents in Canada last year cost the lives of 1,200 workmen, while 5,750 received serious injuries.

The metal trades and the railway services are by far the most hazardous employments. In Canadian steamers 332 employees were killed last year and 1,831 were injured. In addition to that there were 152 killed in railway construction and 111 injured. In the metal trades 103 men were killed and 1,326 were injured. There were 60 fatal and 62 non-fatal accidents in connection with navigation.

In railway service collisions caused 55 deaths and 174 seriously injured. There were 91 killed and 104 injured through being run over by trains. Derailments caused 25 deaths and 175 injured. Dynamite explosions killed 50 and seriously injured 37 in railway construction.

Fifteen public officers were killed and 116 were injured. Four were fatally shot while making arrests. Two accidents are put down to "frozen while fighting fires." Street cleaners, who would seem to be in peril, apparently bear charmed lives. In the list of accidents to public employees only two are ascribed to the running down of cleaners by street cars.

The department's figures are tabulated from Provincial figures supplied by industrial concerns and press reports.

Killed in Collision

NORTH BAY, Ont., Dec. 28—D. A. Brown, express messenger, and J. R. Obim, were killed Christmas night in a collision on the C. P. R. at Ridout, near Cartier, between a westbound passenger train and a freight. The trains met head on. Both engines were wrecked, and the baggage cars were badly damaged.

NOTED GENERAL DEAD

Russian Military Commander Who Had Remarkable Career in Far Eastern Asia

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 26.—General Nicholas Ivanovich Grodekoff, once Russian military commander-in-chief in the Far East, who assisted General Skobeleff in the conquest of Turkistan, died today.

General Grodekoff, who succeeded General Linevitch in command of the Russian forces in the Far East after the Japanese War, rose to fame at the time of the central Asian campaign under Skobeleff. His name was connected with the massacres of Chinese along the Amur River in the Boxer uprising of 1900, but Grodekoff denied any responsibilities for the slaughter, and demanded the punishment of the subordinate commander in direct charge of the troops there.

Emperor Nicholas gave Grodekoff a golden sword set with brilliants and bearing the inscription "For the victory of 1900 in North Manchuria."

MANY EMIGRATING

Number of Italians Leaving Home for America Increasing at Rapid Rate

ROME, Dec. 26.—Emigration from Italy is increasing at an alarming rate. In the first nine months of the present year 13,066 more persons left Italy than in the same period of 1912.

The official figures as announced today give the number of emigrants as 305,222, of whom 262,000 went to the United States, as against 196,196 who left for that country in 1912.

STORM CLAIMS TWELVE LIVES

Crews of Two Barges Drowned Off New Jersey Shore When Gale Raged—Much Damage Done.

NEW YORK, N. Y., Dec. 26.—Two drowned in East River and ten men, crews of two barges, that were driven to the New Jersey side and given up as lost, is the cost in human lives of the storm which swept over this city and vicinity early today.

At Seabright, N. J., a fashionable summer resort, thirty miles south of here, most of the houses have been either wrecked or are under water. Several hotels and many fine residences were among those undermined and badly damaged. Seventy families are homeless.

The damage to property is $1,000,000, most of it borne at Seabright and other points along the Northern section of the New Jersey coast. Most of the damage was due to the bulkheads giving way under pressure of the waves.

The two barges whose crews have been given up for lost were in tow. While the storm was at its height the barges broke away and drifted ashore between the lifesaving stations, numbers 15 and 16, six miles south of Seaside, N. J. Only the masts of one of the barges were visible this morning, and on it was the form of a man. Both mast and man disappeared. Heroic efforts on the part of the lifesaving crews have failed so far to reveal a single survivor of the wreck.

Their Fate Settled

All doubt as to the fate of the crews of the wrecked barges was removed late tonight, when the revenue cutters Seneca and Onondaga, which were rushed to the scene early today, reported that no trace of the men had been found. Lifesavers on shore had not been able to reach the wrecks, and they declared it was out of the question that any of those on board could have lived in such a sea.

Much damage has been done to the pound net fishing along the New Jersey coast for some distance south of Sandy Hook. The estimated loss to the various plants is $100,000. At Arverne, the water swept in so far that cottages were flooded and the owners tonight prepared to get out should the rise continue.

The wished-for change came to Seabright's relief late tonight, and marine observers expressed the belief that the worst was over. All those made homeless were cared for without outside help. It is regarded as the worst storm in Seabright's history. Lifeboats from the two barges wrecked near Seaside Park tonight were swept ashore. One has been pounded to pieces by the waves and the other was on the verge of breaking up.

According to the lifesavers the captain of the tug, after passing Forked River yesterday, turned back as soon as he encountered the strong wind and tried to make Deleware Bay to avoid the storm. He was overtaken by the storm, however, and the entire tow was driven on the banks of Forked River. To save his tug, say the lifesavers, the captain was forced to cut loose from the barges.

Harry Lauder's Tour

LONDON, Dec. 26.—Harry Lauder sailed for New York today to start a tour of the world. He was given a great send off and he was manifestly flattered.

MONTREAL LACKS WATER SUPPLY

Break in Main Conduit Leaves Large Part of City in Bad Position—Water Carts in Service.

CAUTIONS SENT OUT BY CIVIC OFFICIALS

Small Reserve on Hand to Cope With Any Great Fire —Conditions May Obtain for Ten Days.

MONTREAL, Dec. 26.—With a private concern supplying half the city's normal demand for water, water carts delivering the fluid to hospitals, and private citizens carrying pails to fire hydrants on some streets—such is the situation tonight; a taste of conditions which will probably last for ten days, and which it is estimated will take that time to effect repairs to the break in the main conduit, which occurred on Thursday night. So grave is the situation that Mayor Lavallee issued an official statement suggesting that manufacturing concerns shut down for a few days, and warning citizens of the danger of explosion if hot water is drawn from the taps in houses. The city pumps have been shut down, and the best that the officials of the Montreal Water and Power Company, a concern which has come to the aid of the civic department, can promise, is a supply of 15,000,000 gallons per day, or about half the normal city supply.

Pressure Low

This will provide the means of ameliorating conditions on the lower floors of houses, but the pressure will be so low that second floor apartments will be without water. In six sections of the city the Montreal Water and Power Company will send their water through the mains, the necessary connections having been made a few years ago, when the service was similarly affected.

In the meantime the city is doing all possible to relieve the conditions. Water carts are supplying the hotels, hospitals and boarding houses. Supply is being given citizens at the fire hydrants on certain streets, while all over the city snow is being gathered and melted for drinking and washing purposes.

Fire Much Feared

The greatest danger is from fire. At the first call, alarms are being attended by the amount of apparatus which usually turns out on the second call, and at a small fire tonight about a block from the Montreal General Hospital, the firemen extinguished the blaze with hand extinguishers. Although the cause of the main break has not been definitely established, it is thought that in widening and deepening the old pipe, which runs parallel to the main conduit, a disturbance of the earth was responsible for the forming of a "bridge," with the result that the pipe sagged and sustained a crack sixty feet long.

The knowledge of the leakage in the section where the break occurred was in the possession of the water works officials on Saturday last, when they were in a fair way of reaching the spot and making repairs without interruption to the service.

Whole City Affected

The entire city is now affected by the break in the intake pipe, and the gravity of the situation is recognized by the authorities. Statements have been issued by Mayor Lavallee and Fire Chief Tremblay. The Mayor, in his official statement issued this afternoon, says: "We are threatened by a calamity in this interruption of our water system, unless the general public stands guard against fire in this absolute lack of water supply."

"The trouble may last four or five days, I am told. All manufacturing plants should close down at once to conserve the water we have on hand.

"Particularly I want to warn the public against the use of water from the hot water tap. There is serious danger of explosion if they do. Heat the water on the stove."

"The city will do all it can to supply the demand, and to repair the break."

Controller Godfrey, who is in charge of the water works department, in an official statement, gives the following information:

"There has been a break in the main conduit, and every effort is being made to effect repairs as soon as possible. The city is getting some water from the Montreal Water and Power Company's plant, and it is hoped this will suffice for tenement buildings. In the meanwhile citizens are earnestly requested to conserve the water; they are also cautioned not to draw water from hot water furnace pipes under any circumstances."

Most of the bakers are without water, and have prepared to get a supply of bread from Toronto and other cities.

A reserve of 2,000,000 gallons is being held in case of fire, though it is recognized that a big fire would easily account for this supply and leave the city in bad shape to cope with it.

The district immediately affected has a population of 200,000.

FIFTY YEARS AGO TODAY

((From The Colonist of December 27, 1863.)

The Real Estate Tax—We are pleased to see that the citizens of Victoria have come forward and paid up their taxes, within five hours nearly $2,000 was taken in by the collector.

Emancipation—The colored citizens of Victoria will hold a meeting on the first of January, 1864, the first step in the emancipation of the 4,000,000 of their countrymen who are yet held in bondage on this continent.

From Bentick Arm—Mr. Wallace, of Bentick Arm, arrived here yesterday in a canoe. On the way down he touched at Fort Rupert and Nanaimo. He reports that the Indians are quiet with the exception of taking too much fire water, but nothing serious has yet happened.

Desertion—Robert North was brought before the chief magistrate yesterday for desertion.

The trade in furs in the Northwest for the past year of 1863, was 250,000, over 1,400 more than in the year of 1844, which shows that the demand for furs is rapidly spreading.

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PLACING CHECK ON FISH CURERS

Bill in Preparation at Ottawa to Secure Sanitary Methods in Establishments of This Class.

VANCOUVER, B.C., Dec. 26.—The Department of Marine and Fisheries is drafting an act which will provide for the rigid Government inspection of cured fish from the standpoint of pure food.

At the present time there is an act which provides for the inspection of factories where fish is cured, but the sanitary aspect of the question is neglected.

The reason is that the consuming public is largely at the mercy of the fish packers in the matter of the purity of cured fish, and the market for cured fish abroad has been greatly injured by unscrupulous packers placing tainted goods in cans and boxes and shipping them to other countries.

To overcome this the Government has under consideration the appointment of a number of pure fish inspectors with power to compel packers to adhere to the rigid rules regarding better and more sanitary cured fish products.

LORD KITCHENER STAYS IN EGYPT

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Christmas at Home

The Christmas festivities in the country houses today, take the form of dinners, with dances afterwards, and are chiefly of a family character. All the nobility are entertaining at their own homes. The Duke of Westminster is the most notable absentee, he having gone to France. At the Duke's shooting lodge, in France, were the First Lord of the Admiralty and his wife, the guests of the Duke.

International Courtesies

A notable interchange of courtesies will take place at Peterborough in June next, when the French Ambassador to Great Britain will attend the unveiling of a monument, in that city, to the French prisoners of war, who died in Norman Cross prison.

DEPORTATION OF MINERS' LEADER

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Mrs. Charles Meyer repeated her story of seeing a boy with fire in his cap as he was carried from the hall.

These statements were embodied in affidavits, and the persons quoted will be summoned to appear on Monday as witnesses at the inquest.

Conference With Moyer

At the meeting of the relief committee tonight, it was stated that the Federation had forbidden its members to accept any portion of the $25,000 raised for the panic victims.

A section of the committee thereupon was delegated to confer with President Moyer, of the Federation. They arranged a meeting with Mr. Moyer at Hancock, at which the Citizens' Alliance men told the union executive that his attitude was against all dictates of humanity. They demanded that he retract statements credited to him that the cry of "fire" which started the panic, causing the deaths of seventy-two persons, was raised by a member of the Alliance.

Moyer, it was said, refused to make a retraction satisfactory to the committee.

A short time later, he and John Tanner, of California, an organizer for the Federation, were observed on a street car going from Hancock to Houghton.

Just across the bridge connecting the two towns, and distant about 400 feet from the structure, is the station of the Copper Range Railroad. There it was noticed that Moyer and his companion boarded a train bound for Chicago. They were accompanied by three men, who seemed to be guarding them, although there was no visible demonstration of force or coercion.

Departure Unexpected

Moyer's departure leaves the strikers with only local men at the head of their affairs. In the early stages of the strike, C. E. Mahoney, vice-president of the Federation, and Guy Miller, Vanco Terzich and John C. Lowney, members of the executive committee, were on the ground. Moyer joined them after his return from an international labor conference in Europe, and has been in actual control of the situation for several weeks. The other executive officers of the Federation left the territory about a fortnight ago, going to different places on union business. Mahoney went to Washington to plead for a congressional investigation of the strike, and Miller's destination was said to be Springfield, Ills. Terzich said he was going to Colorado, but did not announce what for. Ill's home is in Butte, Mont.

That Moyer's departure was unexpected was evident by the fact that he had engagements for tomorrow with several persons. It was stated on good authority that he went to Hancock tonight on a telephonic request for a conference with Sheriff Cruse, of Houghton County. The latter said that this conversation was devoted to a discussion of means for protecting the union headquarters here, and for protecting the officers of the Federation. The sheriff said that this conversation was held early in the evening, and that at no time did Moyer express any fear of deportation nor say that he personally had been the recipient of threats.

Sheriff Surprised

Sheriff Cruse added that he left Moyer at the hotel, and that the latter's deportation was a complete surprise. "I don't know a thing about it," said the sheriff an hour after Moyer's train departed. I have not really begun an investigation yet, but I am going to sift this to the bottom."

Citizens' Alliance circles professed ignorance of the incident and refused to discuss it. Most of the leaders of the organization were in Calumet, 14 miles from Hancock, attending a meeting of the committee formed to relieve distress in families visited by the calamity of two nights ago. The meeting was considering means of persuading union families to accept aid when word of Moyer's departure reached Calumet.

At the local Federation headquarters, Moyer's departure was called a "kidnapping" by the Citizens' Alliance. The action was said to have caused no great surprise, as it was said that threats of such action had been received two weeks ago. It was pointed out that these threats had been reported by Vice-President Mahoney when he made a plea for a Federal investigation of conditions before the rules committee of the National House of Representatives.

"The high-handed action of the Citizens' Alliance tonight will have no effect upon the strike situation except to strengthen the men in their determination to win," said one of the local union officials tonight.

"We have plenty of funds. Plans to meet this contingency were made weeks ago. If the so-called "outside agitators" are not to be permitted the right of free speech and legal action in Michigan, then we will call upon citizens of this state for such aid in leadership as may be necessary. The Michigan Federation of Labor had plenty of such men and their presence had been promised."

HAPPY CELEBRATIONS OF CHRISTMAS DAY

Benevolent Institutions Played Useful Part in Promoting Enjoyment—Hospital Patients Remembered.

Despite adverse climatic conditions, Christmas Day was passed by Victorians in a happy manner. Preparations had for some time been going on in the city to make the observance of the anniversary as complete as possible, and every organization, as well as many individuals rendered every assistance they could to insure the holiday spirit being everywhere, and it may be safely stated that there was not a home in the city that wanted for a Christmas dinner.

At the W. C. T. U. eighty-nine sat down to an excellent dinner, which preceded an enjoyable concert. Mrs. Hallwood presided, and the evening was a great success, passed with songs, recitations, refreshments and a Christmas tree. There was a friendly gathering at the Strangers' Rest, where more than one hundred partook of the dinner, more friends gathering in the afternoon, which was spent in games, recitations, etc., and a large crowd assembled at 5:30 o'clock for tea. At 8 o'clock in the evening the concert began, which consisted of many amusing and instructive contributions, several of the men showing considerable talent in contributing items of their own composition. The fun was kept up until 11:30 p.m., and in spite of the lengthy programme, it was only too short for the majority of the men. The chair was occupied by Mr. Molyneux, and the passing of the day may be reckoned as the biggest Christmas success of all similar gatherings held in the Strangers' Rest.

The Salvation Army also contributed their share to the passage of the day joyously. In the morning the senior band visited Rockland Avenue and both the hospitals, the music being greatly enjoyed by all the patients and nurses, whilst the junior band visited the Smith's Hill district, the residence of the Premier, who personally came out and complimented them upon their music, and the work they were engaged upon. The Orphanage was also visited, to the delight of the young people, and also the residence of the Mayor, where his worship congratulated them and distributed refreshments. About forty hampers were also distributed by this hard working band, and most of the morning was spent by Ensign Merritt and a number of his comrades in distributing the same.

At Y. W. C. A.

The Young Women's Christian Association invited all girls whose homes were out of the city, to dinner, and about 150 sat down to the midday meal. During the afternoon an "at home" was held by the girls to all their friends, and the prettily decorated rooms were thronged all day by people coming and going. Between thirty and forty of the young men from the Y. M. C. A. also participated, and after supper everybody present enjoyed a Christmas tree. The rest of the evening was spent in music, games and an informal programme, the party breaking up and returning to their respective homes about 11 o'clock.

Amidst all the festivities the sick were not forgotten. At the Royal Jubilee Hospital, the various wards had been artistically decorated by the Daughters of Pity, who, on Christmas Eve distributed gifts to all the patients from the Christmas trees. On Christmas morning there was celebration of Holy Communion in the chapel, which, with its decorations looked particularly beautiful. Carols were sung by the nurses to the accompaniment of the Salvation Army band, and in spite of the fact that many of the members of the happy party were among the sick, ample justice was done to the excellent dinner, which had been provided by the Ladies' Auxiliary and other outside friends, whom the members of the Auxiliary wish to thank for their help in supplying some of the essentials towards making the day so happy and successful as it proved to be.

Most of the churches held services, and these were well attended; and in spite of the inclement weather hundreds of people turned out in the early hours to attend Holy Communion.

Broker Arrested

LONDON, Dec. 26.—A warrant was issued today for the arrest of Charles Edward Fenner, a London stock broker, who went in bankruptcy at the time of the scandals connecting members of the British Government with speculations in Marconi and oil stocks. The charge against Fenner is fraudulent conversion of share certificates.

Money Stolen From Post Office.

KEARNEY, Neb. Dec. 26.—It was discovered tonight by postoffice inspectors that $7,700 in currency was contained in two of the seven registered mail packages stolen from the local postoffice.

Radium for Cancer

BALTIMORE, M. D., Dec. 26.—It was learned today that Congressman Robert Bremner, New Jersey, spent his Christmas in Baltimore with $100,000 worth of radium in his left shoulder in hope of it killing cancer. The radium was imbedded in the growth in his shoulder by Dr. Howard A. Kelly of the Johns Hopkins Hospital, and was left there long enough to send its properties into the cancer. The operation is said to be one of the most important that has been performed in this country.

NEW POLITICAL PARTY FORMED

Aristide Briand and His Followers Start New French Organization—Programme Is Made Public.

PARIS, Dec. 26.—The "Briandist party," a new political organization, was formed by 105 Republican senators and members of the Chamber of Deputies.

As its name indicates, the party is headed by Aristide Briand, former premier. It includes among its prominent members J. Louis Bathou, Stephen Pichon, Alex. Miller and Jean Dupuy, and L. L. Klotz, all of whom have served as cabinet ministers. The party is expected to draw supporters from all sections of the Left, who refuse to obey the newly re-organized Radical party.

The object of the Briandists, as stated by the organizers, is to put the good of France as a whole before the consideration of local politics. In the words of M. Briand, the new organization cherishes no hostility to any Republican and has no intention to attempt the overthrow of either the ministry or the Radical party with whom he says it differs not so much in programme as in method.

Placards containing the programme of the new party will be posted in all the constituencies and a campaign started for general elections in May, 1914, when the Briandists will strongly oppose the "Caillautins" as the radicals, led by Joseph Caillaux, Minister of Finance, are known.

Drowned in Red River

WINNIPEG, Dec. 26.—Little William Rathmell, aged 6 years, was drowned in the Red River. He was playing with two friends, throwing sticks on the ice. They gradually worked from the bank and suddenly the little boy broke through the thin ice. His friends tried to rescue him by holding out planks, but he soon sank.

Ready-Made Farms

FREDERICTON, N. B., Dec. 26—The ready-made farm idea, which has been in force for a short time by the Provincial Government, is showing satisfactory results from every standpoint. Over 130 farms have been disposed of to men who make a profit on their investment. With reasonable effort the success of the purchaser is assured.

Miss Wilson Plays Santa Claus

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26. — Miss Eleanor Wilson, youngest daughter of the President, played Santa Claus to a half hundred little children yesterday. With Christmas greetings from the President she took an automobile load of toys and candies to a settlement on the Virginia side of the Potomac, through which her father rides on his way to golf. Miss Wilson visited about fifteen families.

Lost on Yukon Mountain

DAWSON, Y. T., Dec. 26.—E. A. Wert narrowly escaped freezing to death when driving from the Gold Run, on Quarts Creek. He was overtaken by a heavy fog, and while hunting for the trail in deep snow became separated from his horse and was lost on the mountain all night. The horse arrived at a road house in the morning, and a search party found Mr. Wert about daylight.

Fall Down Embankment

EDMONTON, Dec. 26.—Missing the approach to the bridge crossing the river at Fort Saskatchewan, three men in a motor car crashed over the embankment into the river below. Two were very badly hurt, and it is feared their backs are broken. The third man saved himself from serious injury by jumping clear of the machine. The two seriously injured are J. H. Collinson and John Grills.

Bomb For Christmas Gift

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 26.—A peculiar rattle from the inside of what appeared to be an innocent Christmas gift, alarmed Mrs. John Tarranto here yesterday, and she flung the package from her and ran. A moment later it exploded. Some one had sent her a bomb through the mails, and she released the percussion mechanicism when she removed the outer covering. She escaped injury, but the explosion did much damage to the house.

Japan's War Plant

LONDON, Dec. 26.—According to a communication which has reached an official quarter in London from Tokyo the Japanese Government has decided upon the dispatch to Europe of a commission of three experts to report upon, and if thought desirable, to make arrangements for the purchase of a large quantity of plant and machinery suitable for the naval and military arsenals in Japan. The existing stock is deemed inadequate to the increasing demands made upon it. The Japanese Government is prepared to spend some thirty million yen, or about $15,000,000 to make good the deficiency.

Cougar Invades Fort

PORT TOWNSEND, Dec. 26.—Monotony of life at Fort Flagler was relieved Saturday night by a cougar visiting that post and jumping through a window into one of the houses at the edge of the reservation. The animal was more or less cut by the glass as bloodstains were found on the floor and the window sash. The matter was reported to Major Cloke, commandant of the post, who ordered a squad of soldiers to kill the invader if it could be found. Major Cloke, who has seen considerable service in the army, says that this is the first time his command has been attacked by a cougar.

Mrs. Ella Flagg Young's Case

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Although she did not receive the unanimous vote of the members of the board of education when she was reinstated yesterday as superintendent of Chicago schools, Mrs. Ella Flagg Young will accept the re-election, according to the understanding of Mayor Harrison and Peter Reinberg, president of the board. At present Mrs. Young is resting at Tyron, N. C. John D. Shoop, who was elected superintendent to succeed Mrs. Young, will continue as the school head, in the capacity of assistant superintendent, until her return. As Mrs. Young and Mr. Shoop now claim the superintendency the matter will probably be taken to the court for a decision.

A Berlin specialist says knitting in bed is an excellent nerve tonic.

A college of agriculture costing $150,000 is to be built in Rhodesia by the British South Africa Company.

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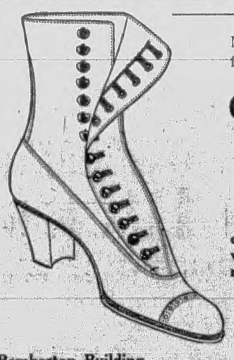
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RECORD-BREAKING POST OFFICE RETURNS

Local Department Experiencing Busiest Time in Its History—Old Country Mail Is Exceptionally Heavy.

The returns from the various departments of the local post office will eclipse the record established last year. Last season the money returned from the sale of stamps amounted to $22,000, against an approximate $19,000 for the present season, with some five days still to run.

Mr. Shakespeare, the postmaster, says: "It is perfectly clear that we are going to have a record year. The sale of stamps is the best possible indication of the condition of things, and I figure out a substantial increase over last year in this department."

Discussing the Christmas traffic, Mr. Shakespeare said, "There have been one or two surprises. For instance, a great number of people are purchasing postal notes instead of money orders, and while the money is coming in just the same the channel is different, and people are liable to think that a slight falling off in the money order department indicates a falling off all round. As a matter of fact, it is by no means certain that there will be a decrease in this department. Personally, I don't think there will be, and if there is it will be negligible and more than accounted for in other ways."

Heavy parcel mails continue to arrive. Yesterday two large consignments came from the Old Country. The first of these arrived in the morning and contained 1,550 packages. The other arrived last night and contained 1,575 packages. Last week 3,300 packages were handled. The postmaster states that there are other consignments still to come. On the morning before Christmas the mail brought in a hundred bags of letters in two consignments, and it is estimated that they contained at least 50,000 letters.

Discussing the general question of exported and imported presents, Mr. Shakespeare declares that this season is far ahead of all others. Taken as a whole, the local department has never handled so much traffic in its history.

HEAVY WORK DONE BY PEARSON COMPANY

Construction of Harbors, Railways and Canals in Mexico —Lord Cowdray's Interests and Standard Oil.

It is a common opinion that Standard Oil interests are pushing the United States on towards intervention in Mexico, and it is certain that no love is lost between the great British (Pearson) oil concerns in Mexico and the huge United States trust.

The report that Lord Cowdray, head of the Pearson syndicate, had supplied General Huerta with sufficient funds to run the provincial government of Mexico—a report later denied altogether by Lord Cowdray—serves to illustrate the extent of the nobleman's interests in the republic of the South which is giving the United States such a great deal of worry just now.

Lord Cowdray—better known as Sir Weetman Pearson—has interests so vast in Mexico that it might be well worth his while to further the affairs of any government in that country which seemed to have a good chance of survival.

When Diaz was president and Lord Cowdray was Sir Weetman Pearson they worked together mightily to improve Mexico. Both made much money out of it, but it is not to be denied that this extraordinary contractor and engineer helped to change the face of nature in Mexico and did some marvels of building work. More than that, his interests take in oil wells of unusual capacity, so that he is a rich man indeed from the work he has done in Mexico alone. And his Mexican achievements are not the complete tale of his activities.

Extensive Harbor Work.

It was some years ago that the firm, S. Pearson & Son, Ltd., took and completed a $5,000,000 contract for extensive harbor work in Vera Cruz. Later came the gigantic task of draining the Valley of Mexico with a canal which cost $15,000,000. These tasks were done and well done, so that later when President Diaz contemplated the reconstruction and completion of the Tehuantepec railway it was not unnatural that the Pearson firm should get the job.

It was in 1902 that this work was started. A limit of 51 years was set for the task, involving the construction of the railway and of proper terminal points at the Atlantic and Pacific ends, so as to compete with the Panama Canal for continental traffic and the trade to the Far East.

The railway has been completed on modern lines with steel rails of 80 pounds, although there was much rock cutting and other hard work to be done. The more spectacular part of the job was at the terminal ports.

At Salina Cruz the work was an undertaking of considerable difficulty because that Pacific port was nothing but an open roadbed. Without assistance from nature the contractor evolved an outer and an inner harbor by means of vast breakwaters of masonry. The blocks in some cases weighed from 30 to 40 tons apiece. The inner harbor is an artificial basin with perfectly quiet water.

Coatzacoalcos, the Atlantic terminal, presented a different problem. The river formed a good natural harbor, but was obstructed by a bar. An elaborate system of jetties was built across there so that the bar was scoured out by the action of the river itself. At either piece a model town was built up, furthering the best hygienic conditions.

In the oil business Sir William was early to recognize that there was plenty of good crude oil to be got in Mexico, and there have been reports that he was for a long time a thorn in the side of the Standard Oil Company.

Tunnels Under Rivers.

Pearsons & Son, Ltd., were the contractors who put the tunnels under the East River, New York, for the Pennsylvania Railway Company. This enormous task fell to the British firm because it had the experience needed in putting a tunnel under the Thames in England, the famous Blackwall tube.

Lord Cowdray is rather a remarkable personage. He is in the neighborhood of 57 years old now. He is not what can be called a self-made man, but under him the first of S. Pearson & Son, Ltd., has certainly not failed to make great strides ahead.

The founder of the firm was Lord Cowdray's grandfather, and the "son" his father, George Pearson. It was a big house when he succeeded to it as his inheritance, but it has been made much bigger since then, with contracts at times running up towards $100,000,000.

Although he has sat in Parliament for Colchester, he has not had much time for politics and legislation, his time being taken up with his business. Among some of the great things his firm has done are the $20,000,000 harbour operation at Dover, the Malta drydock, the Halifax drydock, the construction of the Great Northern Railway and of the Northern and City Railway (the "tuppenny tube"), in building which the experience was gained that afterwards insured the getting of the contract for the Pennsylvania Railway work.

DESCRIBES HABITS OF WEST COAST INDIANS

Mr. C. A. Cox Tells Sealing Commission Results of 30 Years' Observation—Their Earning Capacity.

Mr. C. A. Cox, Indian agent for all the settlements on the west coast of the Island, from Otter Point to Cape Cook, was placed in the box by Mr. A. Patten yesterday afternoon, and gave the Sealing Commission much information as to the life led by the Indians at the present day. Mr. Cox has been among them since 1879, first as constable for twenty-one years, which included eight years as chief constable, and since then as acted in his present capacity. He took the settlements one by one, and explained how little work was obtainable at most of them. Indians rarely gardened, and their simple wants were supplied for the most part by their labors on the sea. They hunt a little, but only as a side line, and cannot be said to be great experts in the woods. Here and there they are within reach of a whaling station such as that at Sechart in Barclay Sound, but otherwise they must travel to canneries to earn money. Even at the whaling stations during the last two years, Chinese and Japanese labor has supplanted Indian, the former accepting less wages, while the Indians hold out for the same as the white men.

Mr. Cox described the seal hunting offshore, the early start of the canoes with their crew of three men, at 2 a. m., and the return before the westerly wind, that always springs up at midday, and often causes a rough sea that wets them to the skin. An accident to a canoe handled by Indians is very rare. Even if they upset they scrambled back again, and each boat carried life preservers of inflated hair sealskins which would support two or three of them in the water. They all swam well. These inflated skin life-buoys were used years ago by the Indians when hunting whale. Twenty-five attached to a whale would in time bring him to the surface and keep him there. The canoes were from 25 to 30 feet long, and were pulled out to the hunting grounds by oars, running back under sail.

They were dug-outs made from the best half of a split cedar. At Nitinat there was one 80 feet long with an 11 foot beam, but this was probably built as a curiosity.

The Muchalet Indians had been employed this last Summer on the Canadian Northern survey, and in taking parties up the Gold River. There was a fishing company which had provided them with fish hooks and lines and paid them 1½ cents per lb. for halibut, but this the Indians had found not good enough.

Another source of their income was the gifts they received at potlatches, but these there had been trouble over at Alert Bay, and a case was pending at the next assizes as to their legality. On the west coast of the Island he could not say that the potlaches had been productive of any harm.

Questioned as to the health of the tribes, Mr. Cox said there had been a decrease in the population of 50 per cent in the last twenty years. Their constitutions had been undermined by disease contracted at the canneries, and this rendered them liable to succumb readily to consumption or other deadly sickness prevalent in their districts.

There were a number of missions on the West Coast, one Methodist, three Presbyterian and the rest Roman Catholic, and a mission school belonging to the last named church at Clayoquot which taught shoemaking. Another school kept by Presbyterians was established at Ahousaht. He believed the Roman Catholic religion made the greatest appeal to the Indians, but paganism died hard, and the older generations were hard to impress. Bishop Brabant, a Roman Catholic priest, had established a mission at Ucluelet in 1874, of which the effect was most apparent.

Indians also possessed money as the result of years of saving. He had been asked on Victoria wharf to pay a passage home for a klootchman, whom he afterwards found to be in possession of $450. The Government did a good deal of work on the reserves in the shape of roads and wharves, which meant the distribution of money amongst the Indians.

At the conclusion of his evidence, Mr. Cox was thanked by Mr. Justice Audette for the help afforded by his statements to the court in understanding prevailing conditions among the Indians. Twenty-nine Indian claims and two white men's claims were presented yesterday, the latter by Mr. Oscar Bass. A large number of Indians are expected down by the Princess Maquinna today or tomorrow.

Japanese soldiers are nearly all gymnasts, and every barracks has a gymnasium. So well trained are they that in less than half a minute they can scale a wall 14 feet high by simply leaping on each others shoulders, one man sustaining two or three others.

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THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

We print this morning a very interesting letter written by Miss Helen G. Stewart, librarian, to Mr. J. J. Shallcross, president of the Board of Trade, in which that talented lady deals with the work being done at the Victoria Public Library. The facts set out in the letter will come as a surprise to very many Colonist readers, and will be a source of great satisfaction to them all.

The modern public library is an educational institution of great value. It does for persons what the very great majority of them cannot do for themselves, because it places within their reach a great many books on one subject, selected by a person who brings to bear upon the choice a discriminating judgment hardly to be expected in one not trained to library work. To be a librarian nowadays requires something more than the ability to keep track of books taken out and returned, and to watch the public taste and provide what is called for in the way of light reading. It demands a knowledge of what is being done in various lines of activity and the faculty of selecting such books as will prove the most useful. We are very glad indeed to learn what Miss Stewart has to say about what is being accomplished by the institution over which she presides.

THE BANK OF COMMERCE

In common with the majority of banks reporting for 1913, the Canadian Bank of Commerce has issued the best report in its history. The report shows that net profits for the year increased from $2,811,000 in 1912 to $2,992,000 in 1913, which, with the balance brought forward from profit and loss amounting to $771,000, makes $3,764,000 available for distribution. This has been apportioned as follows:

Dividend disbursements at the regular rate of 10 per cent., with two bonuses of 1 per cent each, absorb $1,800,000.

Bank premises account took $500,000. Officers' pension fund, $80,000, while $1,000,000 was transferred to the rest account, leaving a balance to be carried forward of $384,000.

Not only were the shareholders well taken care of during the year, but they will be especially interested in seeing that the Bank has a very large proportion of its assets in a quickly available form. Dominion notes and bullion held by the Bank amount to $30,415,000, an increase of $3,000,000 over the previous year's holdings. Other quickly available assets in the form of notes and cheques on other banks, call loans and Government and municipal securities bring the total up to $97,300,000, or over 42 per cent of the Bank's total liabilities to the public. The total assets of the Bank now stand at $260,030,000, as compared with $246,571,000 for the previous year. Deposits show a slight falling off, but this is accounted for by the fact that there were extraordinary demands for funds throughout the year.

The public both at home and abroad will find satisfaction in a perusal of the report, as it indicates that the business retrenchment proclaimed in many quarters as prevailing in Canada has not existed to any material extent. The report of the Bank of Commerce shows no evidence of a period of financial stringency; the excellent crop in the West undoubtedly brings a favorable factor in relieving the situation so far as Canada was concerned.

BALANCE OF TRADE

An American exchange draws the attention of its readers to the fact that of the so-called favorable balance of trade, the United States has received in cash during the past ten years only some 2 per cent. We have frequently taken occasion to mention to our readers that it is a fallacy to suppose the customs returns to be in the nature of a balance sheet showing the transactions between a country and the rest of the world. All that these returns show is the invoice value of goods exported or imported. They prove nothing else whatever. And yet almost weekly we read articles by self-styled financial experts in which very great stress is laid upon these so-called trade balances.

There is a popular notion that a "favorable" balance of trade means that a country is getting rich, and an "unfavorable" balance means the contrary. If this were true, the United Kingdom would have been pumped dry of its wealth years ago, for her alleged trade-balances have been "unfavorable" for many years. In round numbers the exports of the United Kingdom in the ten years ending 1911 were $23,000,000,000; her imports were $30,000,000,000, an "adverse" trade balance of $7,000,000,000, or about $190 per head of the population. Of course, as we all know, the United Kingdom was much richer in 1911 than in 1901, and this proves clearly that nothing, as to the profit of a country's business, can be established by the trade returns. For seventy years British imports have exceeded British exports. There is no such thing as "national" trade. Nations do not trade with each other; individuals do; and, unless there were at least a prospective profit on each individual transaction, no business would ever be done. The great amount of this vast foreign trade of the United Kingdom, which in ten years exceeded $52,000,000,000 in value, was done at a profit to both exporter and importer, to purchaser and seller. In passing, it may be mentioned that the foreign trade of the Mother Country averages every year about $2.50 for every man, woman and child in the world.

Financial writers tell us that Canada will one day have to pay for the excess of her imports over her exports. That is the veriest nonsense. Canadian importers pay for their imports when they get them. It is true that these imports are in part paid for by money borrowed for public purposes, railways and the like, but there never comes a day when these loans are called in simultaneously. They are taken care of in the ordinary course of business, and in the meantime the country has the advantage of the things made possible by these loans. Take the case of a municipal bond issue. That does not come to this country in the form of money. It comes in the form of credit, and this credit may in part go to pay for exports. The ratepayers retire this loan by small annual instalments paid into a sinking fund, and this privilege applies to all loans of money placed abroad. There is never a general day of reckoning in public or private business, and all the efforts that are made to disturb the public mind by foretelling disaster when some such imaginery day comes are absurd.

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

There seems to be a sort of notion abroad that the object in playing the National Anthem at the close of a public entertainment is to enable people to put on their wraps to music. We think this is a mistake. We think the real purpose of the practice is, theoretically at least, to do honor to the head of the nation. If this is right, it seems to us we might show as much respect for the grand old song as we do to "He's a Jolly Good Fellow" when that is sung at various functions, and to "Auld Lang Syne." How would it do for us all to turn over a new leaf in this respect? We ask this question at the request of a lady, who suggests that if the Anthem is not to be treated with respect, it should be eliminated altogether. The song is now used as if the words were:

"Put on your opera cloaks,
Put on your overcoats,
Put on your hats."

Seriously, let us be content to stand a few seconds while the Anthem is played, or let it be omitted.

UNEMPLOYMENT

A Los Angeles dispatch says that 30,000 people in that city are out of employment; that $500,000 is urgently needed for the relief of these people and their families, who probably aggregate 100,000; and that an additional $5,000,000 at least will be needed. Los Angeles has just completed a great system of water supply costing very many millions of dollars, nearly all of which was paid out for labor, and yet as soon as the pay-roll was closed appeals for help for men out of work had to be made. One of the most serious features of modern social conditions is the extreme improvidence of workingmen. There seems to be a general idea abroad, and it is confined to no one class of workingmen, that there will always be something to be done for which a good wage will be paid, and hence nearly everybody, whether he works with his coat on or off, spends freely as he goes. Consequently, when a great undertaking is completed and hundreds are thrown out of employment, they have little or no reserve to fall back upon. Another weakness of the social system is that a very large proportion of the community is dependent upon a very small proportion for employment whereby to earn a living. Perhaps there is no use in saying anything more than this; but the lesson of it is that we all ought to become as self-sustaining as possible. That is, of course, an exceedingly difficult thing in a city, nevertheless it cannot be driven home too strongly or too often that the lure of high wages, which draws men to the cities, is as likely as not to bring them face to face with the distress resulting from unemployment. It may not be of much use to tell city people to get out on the land; but it may do some good to urge those who are already there to stay there.

CATTLE IN CANADA

The opinion has been expressed by the chairman of the tanners' section of the Toronto Board of Trade that the time has come when the Government will have to prohibit the killing of female cattle under five or six years of age. He speaks from the standpoint of his trade, and he declares that the scarcity of hides has reached an acute stage. The Colonist has already suggested that, for a term of years, at least, the export of cows should be prohibited. We did this in view of the shortage in the beef supply. Our position is rendered stronger by reason of the dearth of hides. It is to be noted that this is by no means local, but is found in all parts of the world.

Canada has many millions of acres that can be devoted to raising cattle better than anything else. We have also many millions of acres where the raising of cattle can be very advantageously carried on in connection with mixed farming. The Dominion has wonderful possibilities before it in the way of developing this industry, and we venture to suggest to the Governments, Federal and Provincial, that they would be wise to study the existing situation very carefully to ascertain if there is anything that can be done to take advantage of the shortage in animals and their products now so general throughout the world. If there can be some means devised whereby two cattle will be grazing where one grazes now, a great thing will have been accomplished. Moreover, there is nothing that will so ensure the perpetuation of the fertility of Canadian farms as an increase in the number of cattle kept on them.

UNITED STATES CURRENCY

The United States Currency Bill having now become law, a brief synopsis of its purpose may be of interest. It provides for:

The issue of currency, guaranteed by the Government, based upon notes and bills representing commercial transactions and backed by a gold reserve. The new currency is expected to contract and expand to meet the varied demands of trade.

The concentration of the bank reserves of the country in regional institutions capitalized by the banks of the country and controlled by directors elected by the banks.

The creation of a market for negotiable commercial paper which forms the bulk of the assets of the banks, where, in times of stress, those assets may easily and without loss be transformed into cash.

The establishment of from eight to twelve great regional banks throughout the country, which will issue currency, rediscount paper and centralize and mobilize the reserves of the local banks.

The creation of a Federal Reserve Board of seven members appointed by the President, with final powers of control and supervision over the entire system.

The whole object may be summed up as an effort to prevent one financial centre from controlling the supply of money for the whole country, and to enable the credit of the people to be converted into cash.

A man was struck by a street car fender and seriously hurt. By the way, did anyone ever hear of a case where a street car fender saved any one from injury?

Everybody is saying that we are going to have good times in 1915. Let us hope that this is one of those cases where "what everybody says must be true."

A local contemporary complained of what it calls the extravagance of the Borden Government. Which of the large expenditures on public works in this city does it think ought to be cut out of the programme in the interests of economy?

"Siamese twins" have been born in France. It is now timely to recast Artemus Ward's famous expression used when he saw the original Siamese Twins. "Brothers, I presume," remarked the greatest of all American humorists.

The Princess Sophia, wife of the Kaiser's second son is not like Julius Caesar, who, according to Shakespeare, liked to have men about him who are fat. She has left her husband because he has grown stout. Any old excuse is, perhaps, better than none.

The Toronto Globe approves of the order temporarily excluding artizans and laborers from British Columbia. It says: "The British Columbia exclusion order is not an international affair. It is similar to the exclusion at Klondike, when there was danger of bad results from an influx."

A pocket wireless telegraphic machine, with a radius of 30 miles, has been invented in Paris. Next in order is a pocket telephone. When this comes then you can telephone to your wife that you have been detained at the office, no matter where you happen to be. Of course, if you do not happen to be at the office and she should ring up, embarrassments might arise; but human ingenuity may surmount even that difficulty.

The accident on Christmas Eve, when a man's leg was broken by being struck by a street car fender, directs attention to a possible source of serious danger at points where these cars turn corners. The fender then projects a considerable distance beyond the rails and, as the car turns, the rear end also projects a considerable distance. There is no way by which this can be prevented, and it is for the public to be very careful at such points. Danger would be reduced to a minimum if pedestrians would cross the streets at right angles, and not diagonally.

We have a complaint because some Victorians are unwilling to discharge their Chinese help to make room for new arrivals from England. While preference ought always, other things being equal, to be given to people of our own race, is it not very clear that the average young Englishman could do the work that Chinamen do? Very few young Englishmen could do kitchen or laundry work, and not very many of them can do the out-of-door work around a house that a Chinaman does. Let us all do the best we can to help the young Englishman get on his feet in this country, but at the same time, let no one forget that the very great majority of persons who employ Chinamen about their homes cannot afford to take on young fellows who cannot do the work which the Chinamen do.

Germany has more members of trade unions than any other country.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Mounted Infantry

Sir,—I have been much interested in the letters in your correspondence columns concerning the formation of a body of mounted infantry, and consider the proposal a very excellent one, and that the addition to our forces would be most valuable.

But with an intimate knowledge of the forests and byways of the Island, acquired during seven years timber and railroad surveying and exploration, and having served in South Africa from December 1899, until the close of the war, as a mounted infantryman, I find it difficult to imagine two countries more diametrically opposite in character than the South African high-veldt and Vancouver Island; the one being rolling grass land devoid of forest growth, and the other so rough and densely covered with timber as to be impassable to a mounted man, save only along main roads.

Should we have the misfortune to be compelled to conduct military operations on this Island, and attempt to base our tactics upon knowledge and experiences gained solely in South Africa, it is fairly safe to prophesy that theories then learned would very speedily be found impossible in practice.

What would appeal to me as equally, if not more, valuable than mounted infantry is a company of practical trained woodsmen, who could be relied upon to keep open communications between various points on our coasts in the event of passage by way of the regular roads and trails being intercepted. Such a company recruited from among timber cruisers and the like would necessitate very lax arrangements as far as any drills or parades went, the materials for its formation not being gathered in the city, but an organizing officer could by taking a little trouble keep in touch with men whose services would be invaluable in situations where mounted men, as such, would be useless.

It is quite possible there is already in existence such a company attached to the Corps of Guides, but my wanderings have not brought me in touch with any member of it.

CHARLES L. ROBERTS
Late Chief Inspector of Military Stock, South Africa

Christmas Among Nanaimo Troops

Headquarters, "Connaught Barracks"
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December 24, 1913

From the Officer Commanding "Civil Aid Force" to The Daily Colonist, Victoria.

Dear Sirs,—I have great pleasure in acknowledging receipt of your favor of yesterday enclosing cheques amounting to $226.25 in aid of the fund for the Civil Aid (Militia) Force.

May I tender the hearty thanks of all ranks to the donors, and particularly to The Colonist, not only for the handsome subscription, but also for their generously placing the facilities of their offices at the disposal of subscribers.

I have been able to arrange that everyone shall have a good Christmas dinner, turkey and plum pudding, and then something to smoke.

I am expending most of the money from Victoria in providing every N.C.O. and man with warm Winter gloves, which I think will be appreciated, particularly when the men are patrolling the city on wet or cold nights.

JOHN A. HALL
Lieut.-Col. Commanding
Civil Aid Force.

Usurer Makes Offer

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 26.—D. H. Tolman, through his attorneys, made a proposal to Governor Glynn yesterday that he would burn $500,000 worth of notes of people who had borrowed from him as a Christmas present to those who have been called his victims, if the Governor would release him from his six months' term in the New York prison. He has served two and a half months for charging usurious interest on small loans, and wants to pass Christmas with his family. The governor took no action on the application last night, insisting that it come to him through the regular channels of the pardon clerk. Attorneys had come to Albany with Mrs. Tolman, his son, and four young women, managers of his branch offices in Buffalo, Rochester, Syracuse and Albany. They had $500,000 of notes which they carried to the governor's office in three bundles.

Naval Megalomania

LONDON, Dec. 26.—Under the caption "Naval Megalomania," The Nation, a weekly review carrying considerable weight in ministerial circles, delivers today sharp criticism on growing naval expenditure. "If this is the navy our diplomacy requires, then our diplomacy must be altered," declares the journal, which makes a complaint against "the home country now being urged to make good the three ships originally expected from Canada, when we were first told that they were in addition to our own reckoning." The article concludes: "Inflated estimates were never put forward with less justification or with less prospect of popularity. The feeling of Liberals opposed to the estimates is resolute and firm, and it must be translated unflinchingly into action."

Prisoners Escape

SAN QUENTIN, Cal., Dec. 26.—Two prisoners, James Hurley, serving thirteen years for robbery committed in San Francisco, and Roy Melville, serving twenty-five years for the same offense in Sacramento, escaped from prison here. A sheriff's posse from Marin county is aiding the prison officials in searching for the men. The two prisoners obtained a length of rope, about forty feet long, and after gaining the top of the new cell house wrapped the rope about a concrete pillar and made their way to the ground. Both men were among the ringleaders in the food riots eighteen months ago, and for participation in this had been punished by solitary confinement and loss of credits.

Bismes French Diplomacy

PARIS, Dec. 26.—Joseph Caillaux, Minister of Finance, speaking at a meeting yesterday, of the budget commission, declared that the late cabinet had pledged the support of the Government regarding the issue of Servian and Russian loans. Premier Doumergue will speak tomorrow at the meeting of the foreign affairs committee of the Chamber of Deputies. It is believed that the committee will express the opinion that the French Ambassador's policy in Rome is too Italian, and that French diplomacy was directly responsible for the loss of the Bagdad Railway concession to Germany.

Zelaya Sails for France

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Jose Santos Zelaya, former president of Nicaragua, sailed today for France, whence he will go to Barcelona, Spain, to visit his family. His departure is the sequence of efforts of the Government of Nicaragua to have him extradited to that country.



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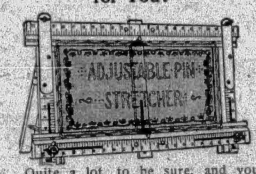
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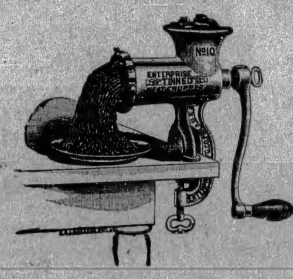
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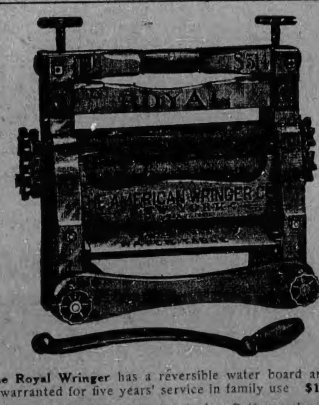
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President of Board of Trade Endorses Letter From Public Librarian—Demand for Technological Works.

The following letter from the librarian of the Public Library to the President of the Board of Trade has been forwarded to The Colonist by Mr. J. J. Shallcross, who, in commenting on the good work which is being done by Miss Stewart, states that he is especially struck by the fact that inquiries have been made about the use of the Diesel oil engines and other subjects which are likely to be useful in promoting industrial developments in Victoria.

Dear Mr. Shallcross:—A short time ago you spoke to me regarding the practical usefulness of the Public Library to the workers of the city. I am glad you have raised this question, for we wish to particularly specialize along technological lines so as to become of maximum service to those who are doing things, and in order to do so to the best advantage, must get into touch with similar organizations for a similar purpose. So far, we have labored against many disadvantages, but for all that, we have played some part in the life of the city, as you, as President of the Board of Trade, after noting our tendencies, may be able to suggest new spheres of usefulness for the coming year.

At the present time, the library contains in its adult department, some 12,000 books for circulation. Of these, about 1,000 deal with the various phases of the useful arts, but possibly 150 to 200 being old and out of date, are of little present value, leaving say 800 live books to be reckoned with—all more or less standards in the subjects of which they treat. This year, up to the beginning of the present month, these have led to a circulation of over 4,000, in most cases the borrowers retaining their books for the full month allowed, and often renewing for a further period of the same length.

The popularity of certain classes of books seem to go in waves. In the Springtime we were hard put to it to keep pace with the demand for concrete, cement and reinforced concrete construction. We added to our shelves a number of the most reliable books on the subjects, and these were not only always out, but usually on reserve for eager borrowers. At the same time everything connected with building—plans, specifications, roofs and arches, stresses and strains, built-in furniture and the rules of the T-square, demanded much attention, not to mention paint mixing, the technology of varnish, and plumbing.

To a certain extent, this is still the case, but in a much less marked degree. Phases, however, such as electric wiring and general illumination always stand in the front rank, considerable insistence during the Summer being placed on detached systems for rural or semi-rural use. Other branches too, as hydraulics (from the building standpoint), bridges, masonry construction of breakwaters took turns in the minds of our people only to be submerged in the early part of the year by an insatiable curiousity concerning the "hows" and "whys" of real estate.

Agricultural books go steadily, those on chickens, sheep and pigs holding place of honor. Dry-farming interests a number, and irrigation others, and recently we have been called upon to supply data in the tobacco growing experiments on the island. Truck-farming never goes behind, and seems in our Island, to be encroaching on the supremacy of the lumberman. He, however, sweeps into range occasionally for conservative methods, forestry, lumber mills, log scales and mensuration, and even displays once in a while, an interest in backwoods surgery, first aid and cookery books.

Information on salmon hatcheries and fruit farms, the growing of holly for commercial purposes, the manufacture of perry from our native pears—we are expected to have at our finger ends for the benefit of all comers. Even domestic reindeer and fox hunting, the profitable culture of mushrooms and angora goats file in procession past our desk disputing place with sedate Jerseys, draught horses, turnips and bull pups.

Soap, Dutch cleanser, ebonite and manufactured rubber need only a passing mention, but all the phases of locomotion come to stay from aeroplanes to the B. C. Electric, the automobile easily distancing the others in popularity, while wireless fascinates the imagination in search for information on the transmission of thought.

Printing and the linotype have run the gamut of our resources, but bookkeeping, shorthand, business law and correspondence, advertising, accounting can never get to the stage of a past tense in their running. Up to the supreme heights of municipal accounting they go, with the new spirit of industrial efficiency shedding a halo.

Probably the most used section of the library, however, is the engineering in its various branches—steam and electricity and gas, stationary and locomotive, sanitary, hydraulic, marine. Indeed one of the sensations of the past month has been the gaining of material on the adaptation of ordinary boilers and engines to the use of oil fuel. We have become very wise on the subject, and have succeeded in putting on our shelves one thoroughly up-to-date work in addition to current magazine articles, and hope to add others in the near future.

But the mention of the word "oil" recalls another boom. It, like the Assyrian, "came down like a wolf on the fold," and caught us unawares. Not a book on petroleum could we muster to satisfy the restless minds of the boomers save only the old Dawson report. One judiciously worded telegram changed that aspect, however, and now both books and pamphlets await the bold seekers after potential gushers.

We could go farther in detailing requests, but have already indicated, I think, what is being expected of us. I will enclose a list of actual questions asked during the past month or two to give body to the more general suggestions, and would call attention to the fact that we have confined ourselves strictly to the masculine side of the commercial questions. Others we have in great numbers, but these at this time and place are irrelevant.

Nevertheless, before closing, it is necessary to touch on the other aspect of our public interest in labor as manifested through us. This is the sociologic and economic side, in theory. We find that a large percentage of people do not take socialism for granted, but hunt it down, pros and cons, and decide for themselves.

They discuss the advisability of municipal ownership or Government control; the place of initiative and referendum in our civic affairs, the advantage or otherwise of the commission form of government. Women suffrage and single tax they test and weigh. Borden's naval policy and reciprocity, Karl Marx and Henry George. We are called upon for data on our immigration problems, on liquor legislation, on strikes and industrial arbitrations; we are questioned concerning infant mortality, the endowment of motherhood, on the eugenic theory and the white slave traffic, practical housing, child labor, pure milk, industrial education.

The employers' liability act is often referred to, and also laws relating to contracts; licencees' right are checked up, copyright and patent rules brought to light, legal forms and conveyances supplied.

I have mentioned only those requests actualy made of the librarians. Many people go straight to the books and do their searching without giving us a chance to place at their disposal the whole of our resources on their subject. But I think you will see from even so incomplete an outline that we do not rely wholly upon our powers of imagination when we make the Victoria Public Library of the future stand as a sort of University extension course, a technical reference centre, a vital force in the life of the city. Our resources are painfully limited, and our initial advances often clumsy and ill-timed, but with the co-operation of those who work, we mean to win out.

Yours sincerely,
HELEN G. STEWART,
Librarian.

Some reference questions of the Victoria Public Library:

What proportion of oil is to be used in the mixing of paints?

With white lead as a base, how can one mix his own paints?

Is there a definite scale in British Columbia for the grading of lumber, and if so, what is it? How does it compare with those of Washington and Oregon?

Which woods of British Columbia are best from the woodworker's standpoint, and how does the grain show up?

Can mushrooms be cultivated in Victoria profitably? How?

What is single tax, anyway, and of what importance is it?

Is socialism practicable—will it work out?

Is the Canadian or the American system of banking best?

How far have farm communities been tried in connection with certain aspects of prison reform? With what result?

How do you make soap?

Why don't they have religious teaching in the schools?

What laws are there in Canada regarding industrial arbitration? How do they compare with those of other countries?

What is Lloyd George trying to do?

How many Orientals have come into Canada during the past ten years? Where are they settled? How do they compare with the Galicians and Doukhobors as settlers?

What power has the law to prevent a man from getting drunk?

Where may petroleum be found in British Columbia?

Can you turn an ordinary two cylinder marine boiler into an oil burner, and if you can, what are the advantages?

To what processes must rubber be subjected in the manufacture of ebonite?

How do you make perry?

Particulars of the German system of industrial education and apprentices, and how is it being tried out in the United States?

What is the development of Women's institutes and farmers' institutes in other countries, and what have they accomplished?

What is the most successful breed of sheep for the Island?

How can sawdust and wood waste be utilized? Have the compressed fuel blocks been successful?

What is the refracting power of steel?

What is the chemical composition of acetyline gas, and how can it be used in welding processes?

Where can you get knock-down boats and ships?

How can you find how much a cistern holds when it is 10 feet deep and 14½ feet across?

What proportion of cement and concrete do you use in the making of a hearth for the fireplace? What must be the shape of the flue?

Designs for patterns in setting tiles.

Types of built-in furniture.

Where are salmon hatcheries of British Columbia? Are they Government or private industries? May a person start for himself if he wishes?

What breed of poultry is best for layers or roasters?

What are the best kinds of fruit trees to plant here? How do you attend to them and cultivate them to bring the best results?

Recipes for plum pudding and mincemeat.

Sanitation and plumbing out of reach of the sewerage.

Principle of the trolley car.

Gothic designs for new church.

What are the homestead rights on Vancouver Island?

What are the New Zealand labor laws?

How can a man, who is poor, put through a patent and realize on it?

Designs for mission furniture.

How do you sharpen a saw?

Statutes of British Columbia relating to working man.

Book on laying out gardens, and on rose and violet culture for profit.

Book on sawmill construction.

Design for steel structures.

Building of elevators.

How to keep municipal accounts.

Findings of the Forestry Branch of the Conservation Committee

What is the Marxian theory of economics?

Plans for bungalows.

Wall decoration.

How to get ginger into advertisements

Etc. etc

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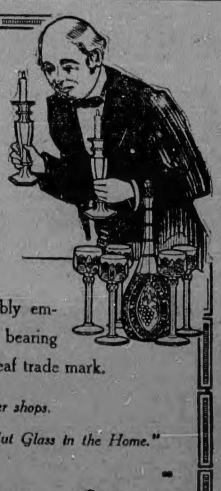
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The City in Brief

Strangers' Rest—A bright and interesting service was held last evening at the Strangers' Rest led by Mr. Sidler, Mr. Fisher and the Sheritt Brothers and friends.

Seasonable Mementoes—Gifts of boxes of cigars were received by the Police Department as Christmas mementoes from Sir Richard McBride, Mayor Morley, Dr. Bapty, Mr. Charles Hayward, the Prince George Hotel and the Victoria Undertaking Company.

Not Enough Evidence—There being insufficient evidence to warrant their conviction on charges of vagrancy two Chinamen, Law Yung and Puck Sing, who appeared before Magistrate Jay in the police court yesterday morning, were discharged.

Snow at Cobble Hill—On Christmas day a sprinkling of snow fell at Cobble Hill. Owing to the mild weather conditions that prevailed the light mantle quickly disappeared. Snow was reported from nowhere else on southern Vancouver Island.

Mayoral Indemnity for Orphans—The honorary treasurer of the British Columbia Protestant Home acknowledges, with thanks, the receipt from Alderman Porter, of the sum of $180.90, being the amount of indemnity received by him while serving as Mayor of the city in 1913.

January Sitting—One of the first matters with which Judge Lampman of the County Court, will have to deal on the opening of the January sitting, will be eight applications for naturalization. Among those who thus are expressing a desire to become British subjects are representatives of the United States, Iceland, Germany, Greece, China and Japan.

Development League—A Yorkshire land agent, who has recently paid a visit to Victoria, is so impressed with the prospects which the Province offers that he wishes to bring out his young family, and is looking for employment. He is 41, strong and has eleven years' practical experience behind him. He represents a Canadian financial firm in the North of England.

Bail Estreated—On the afternoon of December 24, two express wagon drivers were taken in charge by Constable Varney, as they were in such a state of intoxication as to be unable to control their horses. The animals, in each case, were going their own pace along Government Street. The men were taken to the station. As they were able to give bail to the amount of $10 they escaped spending Christmas behind the bars. There being no appearance when their names were called in the police court yesterday, their bail was estreated.

Election of Officers—The St. Andrew's and Caledonian Society held its annual meeting last Tuesday evening in the A. O. F. Hall, when the following officers were elected for the ensuing six months: President, Mr. D. M. Macpherson; first vice-president, Mr. J. Ewing; second vice-president, Mr. J. Tagg; recording secretary, Mr. J. Niven; financial secretary, Mr. J. Anderson; treasurer, Mr. M. C. V. Moir; marshall, Mr. M. Niven; warden, Mr. A. Moir. It was decided that the $11 that was collected at the open night held last November 25, should be divided between the Orphans' Home and the Ladies' Aid Society.

Protestant Orphanage—The inmates of the British Columbia Protestant Orphanage spent a thoroughly enjoyable Christmas Day, many gifts of toys and confectionery, appealing to both younger and older children being distributed. They received a visit from the Salvation Army Band during the day which played and sang a number of carols and Christmas hymns. After the midday dinner a number of motor cars lent by friends of the institution were used to take the children for a drive and a visit to a theatre. Later in the afternoon, Mrs. Moore and Mrs. Pethick gave away many presents specially chosen to appeal to the taste of children of all ages.

Prizes for Cadet Corps—The Hon. Wallace Nesbit, K.C., of Toronto, gives annually a prize of five cadet rifles to the best first aid team from any cadet corps in each Province. This year a team from the Grand Forks Cadets was successful for British Columbia. The trophy is for general team competition for all Canada and is to be competed for annually. Lieutenant-Colonel Hodgetts, of Montreal, has been selected to conduct the first contest and to do so will visit all centres, supplying teams, from the Atlantic to the Pacific. It is expected he will be in Victoria towards the end of January. The Dominion Council and the British Columbia Council are giving additional prizes to the winning team.

Christmas Tree at the Empress—One of the most pleasant entertainments ever held in the Empress Hotel took place yesterday afternoon when the children of the employees were tendered a Christmas treat at the hands of the management. The palm room was the scene. Several hundred attended the function and participated actively in the pleasure-giving and receiving. This is the first time that anything of the kind has been attempted by the hotel management. The feature of the entertainment was a Christmas tree. The guests of the hotel assisted in making the occasion a memorable one for the children. Mr. O'Dowd, the manager, was responsible for the entertainment. Refreshments were served and the grown-ups enjoyed a dance.

Meets at Montreal—On July 7 last, at the suggestion of Mr. F. C. Gamble, vice-president, an invitation to hold the annual meeting of the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers in Victoria, was forwarded to the council at Montreal by the Victoria and Vancouver branches. Postcards were sent out from Montreal to the 2,627 members of the society with a view to obtaining an expression of opinion on the proposal, and the following reply has been received, viz.: "Montreal, December 19, 1913. Mr. R. W. Macintyre, Secretary, Victoria Branch, Canadian Society of Civil Engineers. Dear Sir,—At the meeting of the council held on Tuesday, the 9th instant, the courteous invitation of the Vancouver and Victoria branches to hold the next annual meeting in Victoria, was carefully considered, and the council was reluctantly forced to adopt the following resolution: 'That in view of the strong desire expressed by many of the members and branches of the society to hold a meeting in British Columbia in 1916, on account of the Panama Exposition to be held at that time, and the opening of two additional transcontinental lines, and considering the impossibility of holding a meeting on the Pacific Coast in two successive years, it was decided that the meeting of 1914 should be held in Montreal.' Yours truly, C. H. McLeod, secretary."

Caught Using Opium—When Detectives Turner and Siciliano walked into the premises at 1708 Government Street on Christmas Eve they surprised five Chinamen in the midst of what appeared to be the enjoyment of a holiday opium orgie. Chung, Lee, Leon, Lum and John were taken into custody and came before the magistrate yesterday. W. C. Moresby appeared for the defence. The evidence of the officers proved conclusively that Chung had been smoking. He was on his bunk, with a complete outfit in action, when the unwelcome visitors arrived. Having pleaded guilty on the advice of counsel, he was fined $25 and $2.50 costs. The others were charged with being frequenters. As the testimony indicated that they were visiting Chung in his private quarters, which were not of the nature of a "den," and were but engaged in friendly conversation, while the host enjoyed the drug, they were not proceeded against.

Reserved Case Granted—As a result of the action of Mr. Justice Murphy in granting a reserved case for argument before the Court of Appeal at its next sitting, here, starting January 6, the sentence of death pronounced on Jerry Mulvihill, for the murder of a man named Kelly, was not executed on Monday at Kamloops, that date having been set by the trial judge. His Lordship's answer to the appeal of Mr. A. D. McIntyre, Kamloops, counsel for the condemned man, involved a reprieve, which was made to extend over a month. Mr. McIntyre takes the position that the Crown introduced two witnesses at the last minute, whose evidence was that chiefly responsible for the conviction. He asserts that the defence was not given time to answer to their testimony. Kelly was shot through the window of a bar room at Freeport, B. C. It is affirmed that Mulvihill was connected with the crime, solely by the two men named, one of whom swore that he had borrowed a revolver from him, while the other said that Mulvihill told him he intended to kill Kelly.

Case Dismissed—Charged with stealing a pair of boots, Alexander McKenzie was arraigned in the police court yesterday. He was dismissed when Mr P. D. Webb, of the Model Shoe Repairing Company, 1223 Oriental Alley, whose shop was forcibly entered last week, and some footwear stolen, was unable to identify the boots with which McKenzie was found, as having been taken from his premises. He said that he had some of the same kind, but could not swear that those in court had belonged to his stock. Constable Varney took McKenzie into custody last Monday afternoon, his suspicion being aroused by the latter's efforts to sell a new pair of boots to two men on Johnson Street. At the station the officer found that a complaint had been received from the repair company to the effect that its store had been burglarized. The defendant asserted that he bought the boots from a strange man, for $4. In discharging him, the magistrate warned McKenzie against again taking possession of property in such a way.

New Year at Y. M. C. A.—Mr. F. Witham, general secretary of the Y. M. C. A., announces that an elaborate programme is being arranged for the festivities to be held at the association building on New Year's Day. These begin in the morning at 9:45 o'clock, with the issue of a story of concealed treasure in Victoria to the boys of the junior department, and from indications and hints given in the story the boys have until midday to discover the hidden wealth. In the afternoon and evening there will be an exhibition of artistic and other curios in the boys' department. In the afternoon the reception to the public will be held, beginning at 2 o'clock, when all visitors will have an opportunity of inspecting all parts of the building. From 3 to 5 the senior physical class will put on a programme in the gymnasium, and the business men's basketball match will be played. In the evening a musical and literary entertainment will be given, including a presentation of "The Courtship of Miles Standish" in the gymnasium, while downstairs the swimming club will give an exhibition in the bath.

Fairfield College Entertainment—The closing of the term at Fairfield College was celebrated by a pleasant entertainment on the part of the pupils, on Saturday evening last, at Moss Street hall. The feature of the entertainment was a two-act play entitled "King Michael and the Beggar Maid," performed entirely by the pupils, aged from four years up. The principal parts were taken by E. Zimmerli (the Princess), G. Trowsse (the beggar maid), Charles Christie (King Michael), and John Christie (the King), and the young actors and actresses can be congratulated on the excellent manner in which they portrayed the roles. The prizes were distributed by Mrs. Elwood Watkins to the following: Attendance, C. Christie; arithmetic J. Christie; elocution, T. Watkins; examinations, T. Schroeder; popularity, T. Schroeder; Scripture, G. Trowse; general improvement, A. Fell; French, E. Zimmerli; drawing, W. Baird; reading, E. Phelan; conduct and deportment, W. Henderson; improvement, B. Henderson and M. Umbach; drilling, L. McMicking; conscientious work, W. Hall; improvement, D. Wilson; conduct, E. Henderson; elocution, D. Brown; reading and writing, W. Ede. Afterwards short speeches were delivered by the Rev. D. W. Ganton and Messrs. Thornton, Fell, K.C., and C. B. S. Phelan, and an enjoyable evening terminated with three cheers for the Principal, Mrs. Rathwoll Myers, and God Save the King.

THE WEATHER

Meteorological Office, Victoria, B. C., at 8 p. m., December 26, 1913.

SYNOPSIS

A storm area of considerable force lies off the British Columbia Coast and a high pressure area is centred in the North Pacific States. Rain has fallen from Prince Rupert southward to Upper California, and snow at Atlin and in Eastern Oregon and Washington, and temperatures west of the Ranges are chiefly mild. In the Prairie Provinces the pressure is moderately high with low temperatures and light snowfall at Prince Albert, Qu'Appelle, Minnedosa and Winnipeg. In the Yukon, the weather is intensely cold.

TEMPERATURE

	Min.	Max.
Victoria, B. C.	38	46
Vancouver	28	42
Kamloops	24	30
Barkerville	10	28
Prince Rupert	32	44
Atlin	8	12
Dawson, Y. T.	—36	—20
Calgary, Alta.	2	34
Winnipeg, Man.	—4	24
Portland, Ore.	36	48
San Francisco, Cal.	46	56

THURSDAY

Highest	43
Lowest	38
Average	39

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Highest	46
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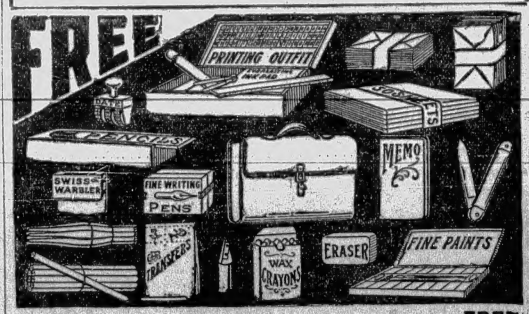
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Second Year Arts—Chemistry. Class I. Emery Scott. Class III. Stewart, Harman.

Solid Geometry and Conic Sections—(Final). Class I. Stevenson, Richards.

Second Year in Arts—English Literature. Class I. Emery, Stevenson. Class II. Harman. Class III. Smith, Richards.

Second Year Arts—Roman History (Final). Class I. Richards, Emery and Smith, equal; Harman and Stevenson, equal. Class III. Stewart. Latin Authors and Prose. Class I. Stevenson, Smith. Class II. Emery, Richards, Harman. Class III. Stewart. French. Class I. Stevenson, Smith. Class II. Emery and Richards, equal. Class III. Harman, Stewart.

First Year Arts—English Literature. Class I. Mennie, Lee, Pollock. Class II. Gordon, E., Hardwick and Jackson, equal; Morgan, Hume, Bunt, Scott, Greenwood and Pauly, equal. Class II. Jones, McIlvride, Ballantyne, Geoghagan, Armstrong, Harman, Kerr, Shearman and Wilson, equal, French and Archibald, equal, Watson. European History. Class I. Mennie, Morgan, Geoghagan, Jones, Hardwick, Gordon, E., Jackson. Kerr and Watson, equal, Shearman. Class II. French, Bunt, Clark and Lee, equal, Flitton, Greenwood and Hickey, equal, Drader and McIlvride, equal, Pollock, Simpson, Ballantyne and Terry, equal, Gordon, I., and Pottinger, equal, Armstrong, Floyd, Harman, Pauly and Scott, equal. Class III. Hume, Archibald, Francis, Wilson, Kinnaird, Wallis, Humphreys, Hay.

First Year Arts—Geometry (Final). Class I. Drader and Mennie, equal, Jackson, Hardwick, Beattie, Hickey and Morgan, equal, French, Halliday, Fort, Burrell and Pollock, equal, Wilson, Hastie, Flitton, Gordon, E., Greenwood and Hume, equal, Armstrong and Gordon, I., equal, Humphreys, Kinnaird, Harman and Lee, equal, Ballantyne and Bunt, equal. Class II. Clark and Kerr, equal, Hay, Watson, McIlvride, Archibald and Pauly, equal, Jones, Geoghagan. Class III. Floyd, Simpson, Pottinger and Wallis, equal, Francis, Terry, Shearman. Trigonometry. Class I. Mennie, Morgan, Gordon, E., and Wilson, equal, Beattie, Greenwood, Bunt, Fort and French, equal, Jackson, Armstrong, Ballantyne and Drader, equal, Hardwick and Hickey equal, Pollock, Flitton, Halliday, McIlvride and Watson, equal, Hume. Class II. Geoghagan, Kerr, Jones, Pauly, Humphreys and Terry, equal, Burrel, Wallis, Kinnaird, Archibald, Pottinger, Simpson. Class III. Clark, Gordon, I., Hay, Lee, Floyd, Harman, Shearman.

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First Year Arts—Roman History, (Final). Class I. Morgan, Gordon, E., and Mennie, equal, Beattie and French, equal. Class II. Geoghagan, Halliday, Jackson, Kerr, McIlvride and Shearman, equal; Bunt, Clark and Hardwick, equal, Burrell, Greenwood, Hume, Jones and Yuill, equal. Class III. Hickey, Lee and Simpson, equal, Archibald, Ballantyne, Flitton, Floyd, Francis, Pottinger and Watson, equal, Drader, Gordon, I., Kinnaird, Pauly and Scott, equal.

First Year Arts—Latin Authors and Prose. Class I. Jackson, Gordon, E., Beattie and Morgan, equal, Greenwood and Hardwick, equal; Hume, Pauly and Pollock, equal; Mennie; Ballantyne and French, equal, Archibald, Halliday. Class II. Armstrong, Flitton, Kerr and Lee, equal, Drader, Burrell, Kinnaird, Hickey and Watson, equal; Clark, Simpson and Terry, equal. Class III. Scott, Jones, Pottinger, Floyd, Francis, Hay and McIlvride, equal; Geoghagan, Gordon, I., and Yuill, equal, Bunt, Harman and Spalding, equal.

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Before a crowded and an obviously pleased house "Everykid" was presented again last evening. It was a revised version which Messrs. Hinks and Hobday offered. Some of the parts have been re-written and new songs and dances have been introduced, while a feature is the aeroplane flight made by "The Kid" and "naughty" Mr. Grundy. In the amusing duel scene between "The Stage Manager" and "Mr. Grundy" interest has been stimulated by requiring the latter to enter the ring on a charger, clad in a suit of armor and attended by his bevy of beauties.

The producers are to be congratulated on the success of their efforts to accentuate the attraction of their entertainment. "Everykid," as seen here some weeks ago, was pronounced a credit to all in any way responsible. The alterations have served the double purpose of giving those who went before much that is entirely new and of improving the performance generally.

It would be hard to single any one performer as having done particularly well, as principals and others alike filled their respective roles admirably. The whole went with a snap and vim which is seldom evinced in amateur presentations.

There will be a matinee at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon, and a final performance tonight.

South Saanich Elections—A meeting is called for tomorrow night in Ward 6, in South Saanich, at which a decision will be made as to the candidate who will be nominated for the forthcoming municipal election for counsellor. The present counsellor, Mr. T. Verdier will be present. The names of Mr. E. Tanner has been mentioned in connection with the nomination in place of Mr. W. T. Colby, at one time the nominee of the local ratepayers' Association.

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"KISMET" PLAYED BEFORE HIS MAJESTY

Origin of Spectacular Production to Be Staged at the New Victoria Theatre on Monday Evening.

It is just two years ago yesterday since Edward Knoblauch's wonderful Arabian play Kismet was produced at the Knickerbocker Theatre, New York, by Messrs. Klaw and Erlanger and Mr. Harrison Grey Fiske, with Otis Skinner in the stellar role of Hajj, the beggar, and during the months of its presentation the Oriental drama has probably received more favorable criticism than any play from the pen of an American dramatist.

A little more than eight months previously this great four act play was produced at the Garrick Theatre in London, and on May 11 of the same year the play was honored by the appearance of His Majesty King George at the Garrick Theatre, being the first play which His Majesty saw after his accession to the throne.

The author, who is a graduate of Harvard University, began playwriting immediately after his graduation, and he has told the story of how he was led to the idea of writing an Oriental drama through his enthusiasm over Sir Richard Burton's translation of "The Arabian Nights." Having steeped himself in these marvelous tales he went to Tunis, where he spent a year gathering material for his play and studying the Arab at first hand.

Mr. Oscar Asche saw the possibilities of the play when it was submitted to him, and it was during its run at the Garrick that Mr. Harrison Grey Fiske secured the American rights to the drama. The critics and the audience had dealt favorably with it in London, but scarcely anyone was prepared for the furore which it created on the opening night in New York.

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To present this story of barbaric splendor on the stage with its ever-changing background of Old Baghdad in all its Oriental richness, a company of nearly 100 players is required, and nine massive stage settings are utilized, including the tank of the Mamman baths, which is twenty-two feet long. The incidental music, which is almost like an operatic score, was composed by William Furst, and is based on ancient Arabian musical themes. The costumes are made from fabric brought especially from the East, and many of the properties were obtained in the bazaars of Northern Africa and Arabia.

The drama deals with a single day in the life of Hajj, the beggar, a rascal of considerable wit and resource who passed his life asking for alms at the beggars' gate of the mosque—a day in which Kismet raises him from poverty to momentary affluence, delivers his two enemies into his hands, grants him the felicity of seeing his beloved daughter wedded to the Caliph, and then, as the sun sinks in the West, strips him of his wealth, clothes him again in his rags and sets him again on the beggars' stone at the door of the mosque of the carpenters.

THE CITY IN BRIEF

Christmas Day at Library—Miss Stewart's decision to open the public library for nine hours on Christmas Day proved a great boon to many whom the inclement weather prevented from making excursions into the country. From midday to closing time at 9 o'clock, the magazine and newspaper rooms were thronged.

Gets Into Trouble—Neil Farmer was the offender to come before Magistrate Jay, acting as judge of the Esquimalt police court, yesterday. He was charged with inebrity and with interfering with pedestrians on the Old Esquimalt Road, on Christmas Day. He was arrested by Constable Andrews, toward whom he attempted violence and got the worst of it. He was fined $15.

Pipers' Band Holds Dance—The Victoria Pipe Band held its annual ball last night in the Connaught Hall. Nearly 300 guests danced until after 2 a. m. to the strains of Miss Thain's orchestra, augmented by the bagpipes for several of the dances. The success of the entertainment is due to the president of the band, Mr. Peter Riddell and the committee, consisting of Mr. William Washart, Mr. Charles Sim and Mr. Tom Washart, each detail having been considered and every effort made to insure the comfort of their guests. The room looked pretty, tastefully decorated with colored lamps, and sprinkling of Highland costumes rendered the scene more effective.

Arts and Crafts Club—A poster competition will be held next Spring for the members of the Arts and Crafts Club. The designs must be in black and white, for reproduction, must not be less than fifteen inches by twenty inches, but may be proportionately larger. All entries must be sent to the Handicraft School, Courtney Street, marked "Poster Competition," not later than Tuesday, March 3, accompanied by a sealed envelope containing the name of the competitor. No name or distinguishing mark is permitted to appear upon the drawing. A prize will be awarded to the design obtaining the largest number of votes at the general meeting of the Club on March 4. The committee claims the right to use any poster for the exhibition.

WOULD FEATURE THE WESTERN PROVINCES

Ald. Cuthbert Makes Suggestion With Regard to Plans for Dominion Exhibition of 1914—Meeting Announced.

The directors of the B. C. Agricultural Association will meet early next week to discuss plans for the Dominion Exhibition of 1914, which, according to official announcement, is to be held in Victoria. The determination, not only of Dr. S. F. Tolmie and Mr. George Sangster, president and secretary respectively, but of every member of the board, is to make the National Show a credit to the entire Canadian West and, of course, to this city.

Ald. H. Cuthbert, one of the directors, talking over the matter yesterday said that, in his opinion, the additional funds which will be available by virtue of the Dominion Government's $50,000 grant, and other appropriations that may be expected to follow, should be so invested as to make the exhibition thoroughly Canadian. He wished the term to be understood in its broadest sense. He thought that every effort should be made to obtain manufacturing and stock entries from all of the Dominion's chief industrial and agricultural sections. While these were his sentiments he was strongly in favor, also, of making a special feature of the prairie provinces and of British Columbia.

A Northwest Department

With regard to the latter statement Ald. Cuthbert pointed out that it would be a compliment that would be appreciated by Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, if they were given a special part of the grounds for their displays. British Columbia also could be included. A Northwest department would be most interesting. If such an attraction were arranged it was certain that the very best of the stock of the prairies would enter. To assure a splendid display of the wheat and other stable crops of the "Granary of the Empire" it might be desirable, Alderman Cuthbert asserted, to provide for it a new and separate building. Whatever is done it was his conviction, as the interests of the three prairie provinces and British Columbia are so closely interwoven, it would be sound policy to make a feature of their resources at next year's show.

These and other proposals will be considered at the directors' next gathering, when some definite steps will be taken towards inaugurating preparations for the event.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. J. B. Strauss, of Chicago, is at the Empress Hotel.

Mrs. L. J. McArthur, of Prince Rupert, is registered at the Dominion.

Mr. and Mrs W. H. Armstrong, of Vancouver, are staying at the Empress Hotel.

Mrs. A. M. Barclay and Miss C. O'Donnell, of New York, are registered at the Empress Hotel.

Captain C. Gardner Johnson, Lloyds agent in British Columbia is a guest at the Empress Hotel.

Mrs. John Allan, of Vancouver, and Miss Lilian Herd, of Armstrong, B. C., are the guests of Mrs. W. D. McDougall, 640 Hillside Avenue.

Mr. W. H. Coy, honorary colonel of the 50th Regiment, left the city yesterday for a trip to the prairies and will be absent for the next few weeks.

The many friends of Dr. Alexander Robinson, Superintendent of Education, will be pleased to hear that he is progressing favorably after an operation for appendicitis.

Mrs. Arthur Bechtel has returned from a trip to her home in California.

Mr. Evan Hooson and family, of Pender Island, are spending a short holiday in Victoria.

Mr. Malcolm and Mr. John Young, of Saskatchewan, are spending a few weeks at the residence of thei rparents on David Street, and a third brother, George, has returned here after several months' absence.

Mrs. and Miss Irving, of Brandon, Man., are stopping at the Dominion.

Mr. Humphrey Binney is spending Christmas with friends in the Okanagan Valley.

Yesterday afternoon, at "Breadalbane," the Rev. Dr. Campbell celebrated the marriage of Mr. Walker Green Anderson, and Miss Frances Havturan Teeple, both of Seattle. The bride, who was accompanied by Mrs. A. M. Anderson, of this city, was becomingly gowned in a travelling suit of navy blue cloth, with hat to match. Mr. and Mrs Anderson will reside in Seattle, where he is a manufacturer.

A very pretty wedding took place on Christmas afternoon at "Breadalbane," the residence of the officiating clergyman, the Rev. Dr. Campbell, when Miss Annie Dakers, the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dakers, of this city, was married to Mr. Swan Harry Johnson, of Winnipeg. The bride, who was attired in a traveling suit of brown cloth, with hat to match, was attended by Miss Dora Clegg, while the groom was supported by Mr. B. Holt. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson will take up residence on Harriet Road upon their return from a short honeymoon.

AMUSEMENTS

"Bought and Paid For"—William A. Brady, who can always be relied upon for the best, is sending us "Bought and Paid For," by George Broadhurst, recognized in the theatrical world as the most interesting work from this author's pen. It seems to be alike a man's play and a woman's play, appealing with pretty nearly equal force to both sexes. Most women believe that they would do as Virginia Stafford does when her millionaire husband came home in an inebriated condition. On the other hand, most men think that while in Robert Stafford's place they would never submit to flat dictation on the point of giving up intoxicants forever. Thus there is something for most married couples (and some intending marriage) to discuss over the supper table after the performance, and discussion is good for the mind. The play has been one of the pronounced successes of the past season, playing for fifteen months at the Playhouse, New York City; six months at the Princess Theatre, Chicago, and over six months at the New Theatre, London, England. It is being brought here by a company which everywhere this season has been greeted with big houses and given great pleasure. "Bought and Paid For" will be at the Victoria Theatre for two nights and matinee, commencing December 31.

Variety Theatre—For today the programme is arranged to suit every taste. The vaudeville, consisting of Billy Howard, the black-face comedian who dances, talks and plays on the piano, and Thomas & Ruttgers in a comedy rube act. This pair is a scream from the start and the impersonation of a down-east Yankee is so perfect that the part leaves nothing to be guessed at. The pictures changed yesterday, the feature being a two-reel drama by the Domino Company, and "The Ghost," which is very interesting, in fact, far more so than usual. "Northern Hearts" is a Selig drama; "Going Home to Mother," a pretty comedy by the Lubin company, as is also "The Drummer's Narrow Escape." First show at night sharp at 6:30, there being four performances on Saturday. Tea served free to everyone in the afternoon from 3 to 4.

VICTIM OF SEIZURE

Mr. James Farrell Found Dead at Sooke Harbor on Christmas Morning

Mr. John Farrell, who for the past forty years resided in or around Victoria, was found dead under sad circumstances at Sooke Harbor on Christmas Day. He was last seen alive on Christmas Eve around the stores at Sooke Harbor. Mr. Charles A. Barbour, the manager of the Sooke Hotel, discovered the body early on Christmas morning laid on a pile of hay. Thinking he was asleep, he went to waken him, but found he was dead, and evidently had been for some hours.

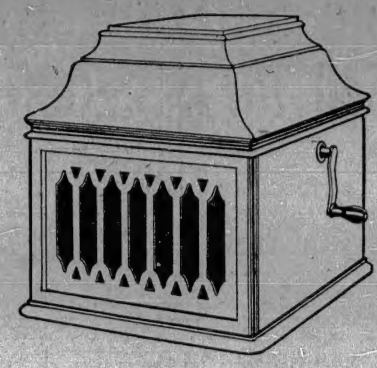
The deceased was known to have had a weak heart, and it is surmised that he had been the victim of a seizure, and that owing to the cold and exposure he had succumbed. Constable Robert Owens, who went out from the Provincial police station in response to a call, was quite satisfied that he had died from natural causes and exposure to the cold and the rain.

Mr. Farrell, who was about 50 years of age, had resided for some little time at Otter Point. He was born in Australia, and came to this country when he was 9 years old. From 1886 to 1906 he followed the occupation of a sealer, but since that date has been a logger. He leaves a brother, Mr. James Farrell, in the city, also a sister, Mrs. Davies, and a sister, Mrs. Faulkner, in Seattle. The funeral will take place this afternoon at 3 o'clock from the Victoria Undertaking Rooms.

Will Be Arraigned—H. C. Richards, alias George Richards, was arrested last evening by Detectives Murray and Macdonald on a charge of obtaining money by false pretences. It is alleged that he passed a $15 cheque at Mr. Henry Callow's floral establishment knowing that there were no funds to cover it. The charge is based on the fact that on Christmas Day he called at the store and bought $3.75 worth of flowers. In payment he proffered the cheque which was dated December 24 and signed H. C. Richards. He explained, it is stated, that he was well-known and that there was cash to his credit in the bank. The $11.25 change was given him on these representations. Yesterday Mr. Callow ascertained that there was no account to meet the charge and he notified the police. Richards will be brought before Magistrate Jay in the police court this morning.

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Building Rope Bridge—Mr. W. H. Armstrong, of Armstrong and Morrison, contractors, was in the city yesterday. Mr. Armstrong's firm was recently awarded the $1,000,000 contract for the construction of the bridge across the Fraser River, and he came down to the Capital in connection with certain matters which he wishes to place before the Government. There are about 200 men employed upon the work now, being located on either side of the river. This bridge will be the means, not only of linking up the Province very effectively by rail, but it will also be a means of easy transport for freight by the highway section.

Heavy Christmas Traffic

OTTAWA, Dec. 26.—According to the local agents of the C. P. R. and G. T. R., the passenger traffic on their lines during the week previous to Christmas was greater this year than last. On Tuesday and Wednesday nights the C. P. R. had to run two trains from Ottawa to Toronto, and one of these on Wednesday night had ten sleepers

OBITUARY NOTICES

HENDERSON—The funeral of the late Mr. William Henderson, whose body was found in the Inner Harbor on Wednesday last, will take place this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the rooms of Messrs. Hanna & Thomson. The funeral will be in the charge of the L. O. L. No. 1610, of this city, and all members are invited to attend. The late Mr. Henderson was the superintendent of the waterworks at New Westminster for two years, coming to this city a few months ago. He is survived by a widow in this city and a father and two brothers in Ireland.

Births, Marriages, Deaths

DIED

HENDERSON—On the 24th inst., William Henderson, aged 45 years.

The funeral will take place today from the parlors of Hanna & Thomson, 827 Pandora Avenue at 2:30, Rev. Dr. Campbell will officiate. Interment at Ross Bay Cemetery. Friends please accept this intimation. Funeral will be under the auspices of the L. O. L. of this city of which the deceased was a member.

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Still are the delicate wings below;
Hardly the wind dares venture a whisper
Over the beds where the flowers grow.

Still, still, garden and field and hill,
Waiting the radiant Christmas morn,
Waiting the heavenly morn.

Midnight strikes from the tried tower,—
Hark, what a clamor the tolling brings!
Bells in the distance joyfully answer;
Earth, rejoicing, an anthem sings.
Down where the honey bees cling and cluster,
Buzzing, humming, a carol rings—
"Christ is born!" so the golden chorus;
"Praise Him! ye that have voice and wings!"

—By Nora Archibald Smith, in the New York Outlook.

A Canadian Singer

In the Christmas number of The Lady's Realm there is a portrait and a short sketch of the Canadian prima donna, Madame Donalda. This singer is far better known in Europe than in the land of her birth. She is the second of Canadian singers to gain a very high place in the musical world and to obtain the great reward for which so many strive but which is very seldom won.

Madame Donalda gained her reputation in France, and a story is told, which, perhaps, gives the secret of her wonderful success, for it is not always that the possessor of a fine voice is accepted by the public. One night at Covent Garden Madame Tetrazzini was to have sung before King Edward and Queen Alexandra in the role of Violetta in "La Traviata." When arrangements had been made it was learned that the great singer could not appear. Her understudy was ill, and no one else at short notice would undertake the difficult task. It was remembered that Madame Donalda had come over on the Mauretania and that she was in Paris. The writer goes on to say:

"It was late at night when the Canadian singer received the summons to take the famous Florentine's place and open the grand opera season at Covent Garden. A perfect rendition in every detail of a grand opera character is essential to its successful interpretation, and Madame Donalda, who rushed across the channel in response to the urgent cables, informed the management that she would be doing herself an injustice by appearing at so short a notice without rehearsal, particularly as she was more accustomed to sing Violetta in French, though the opera was in Italian. Mr. Neil Forsyth, the manager, was in despair at her refusal, and told her the honor of Covent Garden was in her hands; to that appeal Madame Donalda succumbed. Her success was never once in doubt, and her brilliant singing of 'Ah, fors e lui' was only one feature of a notable performance."

While there are few Canadians who can hope to approach the achievements of Madame Donalda, there are many who have attained such proficiency in singing as to have a great influence in Canadian life. On this excellence in one department of art we may all congratulate ourselves.

The Night Schools

If any young man or woman in Victoria surfers because of a defective education it will not be for the want of opportunity for self-improvement. The night schools which were opened last Autumn by the Victoria School Board are free to all who want to learn any of the subjects on the public school curriculum, and any who desire to perfect themselves in special branches can do so by the payment of a very modest fee.

The night schools are open to inspection as are the day schools, and Mr. E. B. Paul has been devoting much of his time to this branch of his work while it is in its experimental stage. This is the more necessary, as some of the teachers are necessarily strangers. On the whole the inspector is well pleased with the work being done in these continuation classes. One of the opportunities that has appealed most to the men and boys at work in the city is the study of the gasoline engine constructed by Mr. H. B. Hope, a graduate of Cambridge University, who was for some time lecturer to an automobile club in London. In one of the classes, that for men, there are seventeen men who have found in their work the necessity of understanding the principles that underlie the construction and operation of gasoline engines in motor cars or launches. Teaching such men lessons in arithmetic, physics and chemistry is delightful work, and such apparatus as is necessary has been supplied.

Fourteen boys form another group, and these are interested and regular in attendance. Mr. Hope is one of the High School teachers, and his interest in sport as in these evening classes shows that he believes in the all-round development of boys. These classes are conducted in the High School on Fernwood Road. In the North Ward School there is opportunity for boys to study geometry and algebra, but only eleven have availed themselves of the instruction.

On the other hand, Mr. W. H. Wilson's classes in commercial arithmetic are attended by fifty boys and men.

the Boys' Central School. Literature is taught to men by Dr. Newnham Davis, late of Oxford, and an Englishwoman, Miss Emily Roberts, has an enthusiastic class of girls. In addition to this Dr. Stewart Tidy is giving lessons in elocution to a class of eighteen adults, who are learning not only to appreciate good reading themselves, but to interpret the meaning of great authors to others.

Fourteen mechanics are bringing their problems for solution to Mr. George Anstey of the Central Manual Training School, and being prepared by him to solve others as they arise.

As many men are doing work in cutting out sheet metal under the direction of Mr. J. A. Raymond, learning at the same time something of mathematics in a practical way.

A class of twenty-one, three of whom are young ladies, are eagerly learning from Mr. James McMillan lessons in decorative art. This work is carried out in a practical way, and is of direct commercial value.

The class in physical culture has been given into the capable hands of Miss Ruth Jarvis, and twenty-nine young women are counteracting the effects of sedentary occupations by vigorous exercise in the Pemberton gymnasium. Nothing but the most serious causes are allowed to interfere with the attendance of any of these.

Two other classes for women have proved popular. In the one Miss Preston taught a class to cook well and economically, and in the other the students were shown how to cut and fit with exactness and quickness.

It will be seen that in the few months that have elapsed since these continuation classes have begun much good work has been done. At the same time the Government and the School Board are ready to pay more teachers as they are required in the elementary branches and to open classes when there is a demand for them. There must, even now, be some people in Victoria who are hampered by their ignorance of English, and, as time goes on, there are sure to be many more foreigners coming here. It would be a great misfortune if these were not educated. At the same time there is need in our own city, as in others, where the apprentice system has passed away in most callings for definite technical instruction. In these night schools a beginning has been made, and whether or not such teaching is introduced into the day schools there will always be older people who will need to be taught in order that they may perfect themselves in their chosen vocations.

The Garment Workers

A few years ago there was a great strike of the garment makers of New York, which caused very widespread disturbance in business, and in industry. Then followed a terrible fire with appalling loss of human life. The inquiry which followed proved that there was among employers of this kind of labor a disregard of the safety of their employees. The attention of the whole country was drawn to conditions, and the conscience of the people was awakened. The result has been such an improvement in the conduct of this industry as will make impossible the recurrence of such a calamity as this fire, and will ensure more security in the business.

Employers and employed have come together and studied the situation with reference to the interests of each. A standard weekly wage was established and a piece price committee in each shop did away with sweating conditions. It became impossible for grasping men and women to make a profit at the expense of the necessities of their fellow workers. There has since been established in connection with the dress and waist industry a Wage Scale Board, whose business it is to standardize prices and keep statistics of wages and earnings. In this way we are told in The New York Outlook there is a scientific basis for the fixing of piece and week work prices throughout the industry that will insure a minimum wage, and at the same time permit reward for increased efficiency. This Wage Board has established a system of apprenticeship, so that those who are learning the business may be employed below the minimum wage, and their salaries raised as they grow more useful.

This Wage Scale Board as well as another whose duty it is to inquire into grievences is made up of representatives of employers as well as employed, and it is in this way a hope of a permanent solution of the problem lies. It is the most interesting to learn that in this business of garment making there is likely to be justice done because so much of the work is done for women by women.

A local interest arises from the fact that garment making is one of the industries of our own city, and one capable of great expansion.

J.B.A.A. Rugby Team

The J.B.A.A., Rugby team for today's game with the Welsh Club, at Oak Bay, is as follows: Fullback, K. McDonald; three-quarters, Galliher, Scott, Dixon and Vincent; halfbacks, Newcombe and Stewart; forwards, Scott, Sedger, Sweeney, Sprinkling, Milligan, Houston, Beeston, McLachlan; reserves, Baylis and Tuck. All players are requested to be on the grounds at 2:30 o'clock.

Welsh Rugby Team

The Welsh Rugby team for today: Fullback, Ben Jones; three-quarters, Hines, Fred Hill, Sid Thomas, Willis; halfbacks, Stan James, Goldsworthy; forwards, Boyd (Capt.), Gray, Honeychurch, A. Griffiths, Adams, Baxter, Hood, Benson, Bob Stevens; reserves

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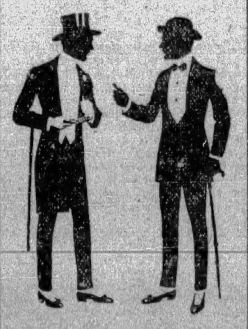
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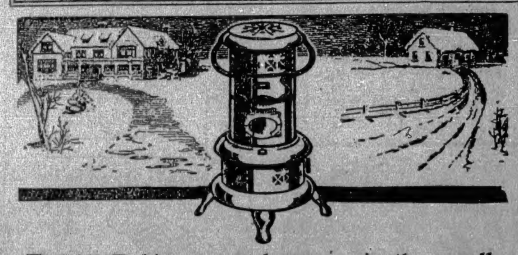
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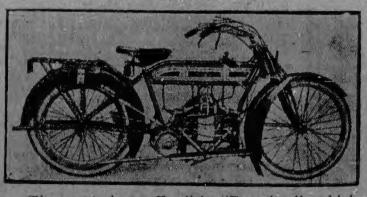
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DECISIVE WIN FOR VICTORIA CHAMPIONS

Capitals Wore Terminals Down Last Night and Then Beat Them at Their Own Game —Teams Tied.

League Standing

Club—	W.	L.	Goals For	Goals Agst.
Victoria	2	2	23	23
Vancouver	2	2	25	25
Westminster	2	2	19	21

Wearing down the heavy Vancouver puck-chasers and then beating them decisively at their own game—speed and bullet-like shooting, besides infusing some combination and fancy skating of Victoria's particular variety into the play, the champions won, 9 goals to 4, at the Arena last night, thus putting all three teams in the Pacific Coast League on a level, with two wins and two losses apiece. Superior condition, a more systematic attack and defence and the unexcelled goal-tending of Bert Lindsay were the prime factors in Victoria's victory. The Terminals exhausted themselves in the first period and never scored a goal after the first fifteen minutes. The match was played to a full house, there being close to 4,000 people present.

That the Capitals have benefited immensely under the strict coaching and instruction of Manager Patrick during the past fortnight was clearly shown. The defence was solid, there was no loafing, none of that wildness which marked the efforts of the locals when they went down to defeat against Vancouver in the previous game, and in the second period, at least, the line worked like one man. Beautiful shooting and stick-handling also featured the performance of the light red title-holders, Tommy Dunderdale and Dubbie Kerr being predominant in these respects.

Terminals Wasted Early Lead

The result of the game undoubtedly came as a surprise to many of the fans, although when the visitors failed to get more than a one-goal lead in the opening session the better informed of the spectators had complete faith in the ability of the Victorians to pull out ahead. The Terminals had all the better of it in the opening session. They set a whirlwind pace from the commencement and simply rained shots on Lindsay from all parts of the ice. Pitre and Taylor sending some from as far out almost as centre ice; that they could not get close enough to beat Lindsay oftener than they did was convincing evidence of the strength of the local defence and, if the truth be known, they knew they were beaten after the first interval. Of course, if had Lindsay not played a wonderful game they would have accomplished their object and gone far enough ahead to enable them to lay back for the remainder of time, but all the credit is not due him. While he played a game in the nets such as has never been seen here, he also had a barrier in front that was not there in the Vancouver game a week ago Tuesday. Throughout the first round Victoria did not do nearly as much rushing as the Mainlanders, but they did not find the same difficulty in locating Parr's net, and the intermission came with the score 4 to 3 in favor of the visitors. From the start of the second period the Terminals were swept off their feet, outmanoeuvred at every turn and the champions won as they pleased.

Game Very Clean

A very pleasing circumstance in connection with the game was the lack of roughness. In this respect the Capitals set an example that the other teams of the league would do well to follow, and the Vancouvers were not far behind. Only one penalty was taken by the home team, that going to Genge in the last period for cross checking Frank Patrick, while the Vancouvers received three all told. There is no record of a game more cleanly played, than was last night's, and, that being the case, it is hard to understand why some of the spectators should have aimed insulting remarks at Frank Patrick. They showed rowdyism of the worst sort in doing so.

Lack of condition, as has been said, and the absence of Nighbor on the wing told against the Vancouvers. They showed hockey of a kind that would have beaten any team while they lasted, but could not maintain the pace. Harris, at left wing, was practically useless.

Genge Opens Scoring

A hot bombardment of Lindsay's net followed the opening face-off and, not until Kerr had turned aside about half a dozen hot shots, did Victoria break away. The Vancouvers were putting every little ounce of energy into their rushes and they were within fair shooting distance continually, while Victoria were on the aggressive only on scattered occasions, but when the latter did get away they bored in more effectually. Bobby Genge scored the first goal, after a rush down the wing. He passed the puck in from the corner and it caromed into the net off Pitre. Griffis evened up the count on a rebound from Nichols' shot, and Pitre put Vancouver ahead on a long shot. A little later Kerr and Dunderdale went in together and the former scored off Dunderdale's rebound. Then followed a protracted Vancouver attack, and Nichols and Harris bulged the strings in quick succession, the goals being tied up id by a series of passing sports that elicited the genuine admiration of the crowd, partisan as it most assuredly was. Kerr finished the scoring of the session, dodging through the Vancouver defence by himself.

In the second period the Terminals wilted before the prettily organized team plays and the brilliant individual efforts of the Capitals. The latter had been saving themselves and they cut just as fast a pace at this stage as their opponents had in the earlier part of the game. The grandest individual display of the season, which was provided by Tommy Dunderdale, dribbled from goal to goal past the entire Vancouver aggregation, holding the rubber at his stick until within a few feet of the net and then flipping it cleverly into the strings.

Champions Irresistible

The remainder of the story can be told in a few words. The Victorians were irresistible. They chased in goal after goal and never eased up until they secured a safe lead. Then they let Vancouver have another whirl to themselves—this being in the third period—but even then Frank Patrick and his crew could not fool Lindsay no matter how easy the chance might be, and once or twice they were allowed open ice for wide-open shots which any goal-keeper might have been excused for missing.

Towards the close of the second period Bobby Genge was replaced by Ulrich, having worked himself to the last gasp, and in the third period Tommy Dunderdale was off the ice for a few moments with a badly smashed thumb, Ulrich taking his place.

Summary

Goals—First period: Genge (Vic) alone, 2:13; Nichols (Van) pass from Griffis, 5:09; Pitre (Van) alone, 8:33; Kerr (Vic), :47; Nichols (Van), pass from Taylor, 2:31; Harris (Van), pass from Patrick, :19; Kerr (Vic), alone, 1:38. Second period: Dunderdale (Vic), 3:32; Dunderdale (Vic), pass from Small, 4:05; Kerr (Vic), pass from Genge, 4:54; Rowe (Vic) alone, 4:27. Third period: Rowe (Vic), pass from Genge, 12:23; Kerr (Vic) alone, :35.

Penalties—First period: Pitre (Van) 3 min; Griffis (Van) 3 min. Second period: Taylor (Van) 3 min. Third period: Genge (Vic), 3 min.

Officials: Referee, H. Lehman (Westminster). Judge of play, Ran McDonald (Westminster). Game timekeeper, W. H. Wilkerson. Penalty timers, Dr. Wilson (Vancouver) and J. A. Taylor (Victoria). Goal umpires, C. Burnett (Victoria) and N. Smith (Vancouver).

The teams:

Vancouver.		Victoria.
Parr	goal	Lindsay
F. Patrick	point	Genge-Rowe
Griffis	cover	Small
Taylor	rover	Paulin
Nichols	centre	Dunderdale
Pitre	right wing	Rowe-Ulrich
Harris	left wing	Kerr

Plays Star Game



BERT LINDSAY

Victoria goal-tender, who excelled his best previous performance on local ice in last night's hockey game.

BEST SCHEDULE YET FOR VICTORIA CLUB

President Wattelet States That Bees Were Never Better Treated in the Matter of Games.

President Wattelet, of the local baseball club, is back in Victoria with the information that the Bees will have a better schedule of games in 1914 than they have ever had in the three years of their existence. The Bees were allotted the same number of home games as last season, twelve weeks, but two of these have been transferred so that the club will benefit financially so that the now the schedule gives Victoria an equable series from start to finish with very few long jumps and the home fixtures nicely distributed. There will be no three weeks of ball here at a stretch as there was once or twice in 1913, but the team will come home oftener and the intervals between sessions will not be protracted.

As is already generally known the Bees will train at home, the management being convinced that better results can be obtained in training right on the scene of battle, so to speak, than in rushing the squad north at the last moment, probably to encounter a sudden change in climate and thus practically annul the effects of the preliminary workouts. That was the experience of the club in 1912 and the officials of the club do not intend to repeat it. Manager Delmas will issue a call to report on March 20, which will give the players a little more than three weeks in which to get into condition.

The threat reported to have been made by President Dugdale, of Seattle, that he would go into the Coast League and leave the Northwestern Circuit high and dry, because he was not treated fairly in the arrangement of the schedule was characterized as foolishness by the local officials. It is pointed out that under the national agreement neither Seattle can leave voluntarily nor can the Coast League invade this territory without the unanimous consent of every club in the Northwestern League.

The following dispatch from Portland has caused a furor of comment in the Northwestern baseball cities, but, in the light of the foregoing statements, it appears to be more or less of a dream:

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 26.—That Seattle and Vancouver, B. C., will have franchises in the Pacific Coast League by 1916 is the prediction freely voiced along the Portland baseball rialto, as a result of the bitterness and strife that marked the two days' session of Northwestern League directors.

DUKE OF CONNAUGHT RETURNS GREETINGS

On Wednesday Sir Richard McBride sent the following telegram to the Governor-General:

"H. R. H. the Duke of Connaught, "Governor-General, "Ottawa, Ont.

"On behalf of the people of British Columbia I beg to extend to Your Royal Highness, the Duchess of Connaught and the Princess Patricia the season's greetings and best wishes.

"(Sgd.) RICHARD McBRIDE."

The reply received follows:

"Sir Richard McBride, Victoria, B. C.

"We all thank you for the good wishes of the people of British Columbia, which we warmly reciprocate.

"(Sd.) ARTHUR."

SIX TEAMS READY FOR ISLAND LEAGUE

Organization Meeting Monday Night—Englishmen Defeat Scottish, and Old Country Wins From Native Sons.

It is now practically certain that six entrants will be forthcoming for the Island Association Football League, the organization meeting of which will be held at S. Lorimer's rooms on Monday night. The six are: North Wards (City League champions), Victoria Wests, James Bays, Thistles, Sons of England and Garrison. There will thus be only one change from the personnel of the City League, the substitution of the Garrison for the Rangers. The league officials hope that there will be no delay in making entries, as it is desired to get the series under way as quickly as possible.

Christmas Day Games

In the exhibition soccer matches on Christmas Day the English team defeated the Scotsmen, 1—), and the Old Country won from the Native Sons, 3—2. Both games were keenly contested, and, as the score indicate, there was very little to choose between either pair of contestants on the day's play.

The senior match—English vs. Scots—was particularly close, in fact victory might have gone either way and no injustice would have been done. The Scots were weak in goal, whereas the Englishmen's chief strength lay in the splendid performance of custodian Thorburn, and it was that one advantage which enabled them to win.

The Englishmen scored the only goal about midway through the first half, when Archie Muir, substituting for the selected goalkeeper on the Scots side, slipped in trying to clear and gave Denell an easy chance to find the net. The remainder of the game hardly requires description beyond the statement that, considering the slippery condition of the ground and ball, the football displayed was as fast and pretty as could possibly be expected. The exchanges favored neither side to an appreciable extent at any time.

Alex. Locksley refereed, and the teams were:

England—Thorburn, Mosley, Gregg, Hymers, Blendell, Ord, Kerley, Denell, Pilkington, A. Kerley and Douglas.

Scotland—Muir, Conlin, Allan, Sinclair, Niven, Davidson, Allan, Englis, McGee, Nichol and Cankie.

Intermediate Contest

In the intermediate Old Country—Native Sons match, the Sons were on the aggressive the greater part of the first half and scored the first two goals, but as the game progressed, the team as a whole showed better staying power than its opponents, with the result that the Old Countrymen forged into the lead in the second half, showing sufficient margin of superiority to earn them success.

Johnny Cummings, of the Native Sons, scored the first goal, and a few minutes later Davis, of the same team, cleverly kicked another. Until shortly previous to the interval, the Sons pressed hard, being unable, however, to pierce the opposing defence again. Then a remarkable change occurred in the trend of the contest, and with the halves feeding the forwards splendidly, and the latter combining their rushes in style almost worthy of senior company, the Old Country players swept through the Sons' rear ranks repeatedly and managed to beat custodian McKenzie three times before the final whistle sounded.

The teams were:

Sons—Goal, McKenzie (Wards); backs, Stewart (Wards), Fisher (Pandoras); halves, Mesher (Wests), McDougall (Wards), Drake, (Wards); forwards, McIlmoyle (Wests), Jno. Cummings (Wards), Baker (Wards), Davies (Empires), Jim Cummings (Wards) Bolton (Wests).

Old Country—Goal, Rountree (Navy); backs, Castle (Pandoras), J. Ord (Wards); halves, Tunnicliffe (Wards), Wedgewood (Navy), H. Ord (Wards); forwards, Haywood (Empires), Mus-field (Navy) Scott (Navy), Elliott (Empires) and Carminehael (Wests).

Referee, Thompson.

New Year's Game

It is reported that instead of sending over the United's, as was the original intention, Seattle will select an all-star team to compete with the Victoria soccer footballers at Oak Bay on New Year's Day. The Americans want revenge for the defeat given them by Victoria recently, and will put their very strongest aggregation in the field on the holiday date. There will be two changes in the Victoria team, McDonald and Petticrew being out of the game with injuries. Their places will probably be taken by Allen, of the Thistles, and Pilkington.

SURVEYORS WIN FROM DENNISTON'S FIFTEEN

Rugby Match Christmas Day—Two Inter-City Matches Arranged for New Year's Day

In the return Rugby match between the Surveyors and Denniston's team played at Oak Bay on Christmas morning the Surveyors won by a score of 12 points to 0. The result of the first match was a win for Denniston's team by 3 to 0.

Two inter-city Rugby matches will be played here on New Year's Day, the Crusaders, of Vancouver, meeting the Wanderers, leaders in the Barnard League, at Oak Bay, and a picked intermediate Vancouver team contesting with the pick of the local intermediate teams at the Albion cricket grounds.

In order to facilitate the selection of the best possible intermediate team to represent Victoria, a trial match has been arranged for today at the Albion grounds, the teams being as follows:

First team—Hollywood, Casey, Cutler, Woodward, Wallis, Dobbie, Whyte, McBride, Travis, Langtry, Harris, Wootton, Sanger, Campbell, Kilpatrick.

Second team—Hiscocks, Heyland, Staples, Dixon, Ryan, Finland, McBride, Sanxon, McIlride, Carroll, Clark, Robinson, Taylor, Heyland, Hardwick.

DAMAGE TO PRINCE GEORGE

Repairs to G. T. P. Vessel Will Cost $40,000

The damage sustained by the G. T. P. steamer Prince George, which ran on the rocks recently at Brockton Point through mistaking a light in the heavy fog, has been appraised at $40,000. This statement was made last night by Captain C. Gardner Johnson, Lloyds agent in British Columbia.

Out of Soccer



LOU McDONALD

It is said that the Victoria Wests may lose the services of their capable halfback, Lou McDonald, for the 1914 Island League season. McDonald wrenched his knee in a recent match and has been unable to play since.

AMERICAN ATHLETES ARE WINNING IN AUSTRALIA

WELLINGTON, New Zealand, Dec. 26.—Americans once more topped the list of competitors in today's events of the athletic tournament being held here. The Australian record for putting the shot was equaled by R. Caughey, of California, who gave an exhibition throw of 43 feet, 7 inches. Parker, of Stockton, won the 220 yards dash, but Power, of Boston, was not well and his showing in the 100 yard race was disappointing.

In the finest race ever witnessed by local sporting men, Parker, of Boston, won the 100 yards dash. He started slow and was some distance behind the leader 40 yards from the start, but he suddenly spurted and shot past all contestants, winning by a yard.

Boss Sign Pitcher

Word has been recieved of the completion of the deal whereby the Victoria baseball club will get Ashley Pope, a "spitball" pitcher, from San Jose, in the California State League, in exchange for Brown and another youngster picked up by Manager Delmas on his travels through the South.

Hunt Club Run

The Victoria Hunt Club will meet today at 2:30 p. m. at Captain Clarke's residence, Olympia Avenue, for the usual weekly run.

KEEN GOLF HANDICAP AT OAK BAY LINKS

Mixed Foursomes, Eclectic Tournament, Brings Out Almost Eighty Competitors —Enthusiasm Evinced.

Nearly eighty competitors entered for the mixed foursomes, eclectic handicap golf matches at the Oak Bay links yesterday, and the tournament was one of the most successful in the history of the Victoria club. An unusually keen interest was taken in the issue and the golf played was exceptionally good on the average.

First place was won by Mr. A. V. Macan and Mrs. Martin, with a score of 74, Captain Harker and Mrs. Langley being second with 76. There were four pairs tied at 77. The scores—those that were turned in—ranged as high as 94.

The results: Mr. Macan and Mrs. Martin, 74; Capt. Harker and Mrs. Langley, 76; Mr. D. Martin and Mrs. Macan, 77; Mr. W. Pemberton and Mrs. Bird, 77; Mr. and Mrs. B. Wilson, 77; Mr. J. Wise and Miss Marion Pitts, 77; Mr. G. H. Barnard and Miss Mara, 78; Mr. C. Martin and Miss R. Bodwell, 78, Mr. Justice Martin and Miss Alice Pooley, 79; Mr. Twigg and Mrs. Elliott, 80; Col. A. W. Jones and Mrs. Jones, 80; Mr. H. Patterson and Miss Combe, 81; Mr. W. Todd and Mrs. Kirk, 81; Mr. H. G. Wheatley and Mrs. Davis, 83; Capt. Steele and Miss Payne, 83; Mr. D. R. Irving and Miss Irving, 84; Mr and Mrs Graham-Graham, 84; Mr. and Miss Oliver, 84; Mr. and Mrs. Garrett, 84; Mr. H. G. Pearce and Miss Lawson 84; Mr. A. D. Crease and Miss Crease, 85; Mr. W. J. Bowser and Miss Bowser, 85; Mr. Cookson and Miss Thompson, 86; Mr. Boltie and Mrs. Thomas, 86; Mr. and Mrs. Ricardo, 87; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Elliott, 88; Mr. Swinerton and Miss Irving, 88; Mr. Barton and Mrs. Cecil, 89; Mr. James Dunsmuir and Miss Dunsmuir, 89; Col. and Miss Peters, 92; Mr. and Mrs. Gillespie, 94; Mr. and Mrs. Mallin, 94. Today the Men's Calcutta foursomes handicap tournament, the draw for which was announced on Christmas Day, will open.

DUGDALE IS PLANNING HIS CLASS D LEAGUE

SEATTLE, Dec. 26—President Dugdale, of the Seattle baseball club, has announced his intention of going ahead with his plans for a Class D league in the Northwest. "I feel that there is a splendid chance for such an organization," said he yesterday. "Just look at the cities from which a circuit can be formed. Seattle alone can furnish three teams, Ballard, Renton and Georgetown. We have Bremerton just across the Sound, and north of the city and not far from it are Everett, Snohomish, Bellingham and Marysville. Aberdeen and North Yakima should also be taken into consideration. Auburn and Kent should also be added to the list."

TODAY'S SPORT CARD

Rugby

Welsh Club vs. J. B. A. A., Oak Bay grounds, 2:45 o'clock. Referee, W. H. Spalding.

Algerine vs. Wanderers, Canteen grounds, 2:45 o'clock. Referee, A. Hill.

Soccer—Intermediate

Wests vs. Empires, Macaulay Point. Referee, Mr. Thomson.

Wards vs. Pandoras, North Ward Park. Referee, Mr. Jasper.

Golf

Opening of Men's Calcutta Handicap Foursomes, Oak Bay Links.

OPENING OF HOCKEY IN THE EAST TODAY

National Clubs Show Many Changes in Personnel—Games and Officials for the First Matches.

MONTREAL, Dec. 26.—When the bell rings for the opening of the National Hockey Association's scheduled season tomorrow night, many new faces will figure in the line-up of the various teams. There is not a club in the association that has not signed one or more new men for this Winter, and the two Toronto clubs will probably show more changes than any of the others. The Tecumseh club of a year ago has changed hands and this Winter will be known as the Ontarios. This club will present practically a new line-up, while the Torontos will show many changes.

The champion Quebec team will have two players this season in Prodgers and Richards, whom they did not have last season. Of the Montreal clubs, the Wanderers and Canadiens, the former will show most changes. The Wanderers have sixteen men under contract, two of whom will likely be released tomorrow. The club will carry fourteen men throughout the first half of the season at least.

The greatest change in the Canadiens will be the absence of Pitre, his place being taken by Jimmy Gardner, who will also act as playing manager. The defence will be unchanged, although Vezina will have Marchand as an understudy. The line will probably consist of Gardner, Donald Smith and Lalonde. Ottawa will have a number of new men this season. The management has signed several well-known amateurs, who are expected to make a good showing, although they will be handicapped through the lack of experience. The following are the men signed by the six clubs in the N. H. A.

Wanderers—Goal, Boyes, Cadotte, Warwick and Doheny. Defence, Ross, S. Cleghorn, Atkinson and Lahue. Forwards, O. Cleghorn, E. Russell, C. Kendall, H. Hyland, W. Miller and G. Roberts.

Canadiens—Goal, Vezina and Marchand. Defence, Dubeau, Lavioiette and Delaire. Forwards, D. Smith, Lalonde, Gardner, Berlinquette, Jette, Leduc and Frechette.

Quebec—Goal, Moran, Defence, Mummery, Hall and Prodgers. Forwards, Malone, T. Smith, Marks, Crawford, Richardson and Jeff Malone.

Torontos—Goal, Holmes and Wilson. Defence, Marshall, Davidson and Cameron. Forwards, McGiffen, Foyston, Walker, Wilson, McCarthy and Warwick.

Ontarios—Goal, Rankin and Cross. Defence, H. McNamara, S. McNamara and Lake. Forwards, Oke, Scott, Doherty, Vair, Smith and Hunt.

Ottawa—Goal, Lesueur. Defence, Merrill, Shore and Wilson. Forwards, Darragh, Broadbent, Ronan, Graham and Currie.

The officials have been appointed for the three opening games to be played tomorrow night as follows: At Montreal, the Wanderers and Ontario game will be refereed by John Brennan, with Dave Powers as judge of play. The match at Toronto between the Torontos and Canadiens will be handled by Marsh and Westwick, while the match at Ottawa will have as officials, Hern and Pulford.

Federals Want Tinker

CHICAGO, Ills., Dec. 26—Joe Tinker, of the Cincinnati baseball team, and President Gilmore, of the Federal Baseball League, held a conference today, with reference to bringing Tinker into the new league. This conference was without result, excepting that they agreed to continue the negotiations tomorrow or on Monday.

Mehegan Outpoints Brown

MELBOURNE, Aus., Dec. 26—Hughie Mehegan, the Australian lightweight today won a decision over Pal Brown, an American fighter, in a 20-round go. By winning Mehegan evened up the score with Brown, who defeated him on points in a 20-round contest at Sydney in October.

Empire Soccer Team

The Empire Soccer team for today: Baker; Donald and Davies; Pynn, Norton, Laity; Turner, Swan, Elliott, Marshall and Smith; reserves, Rutherford and J. Heywood.

English Football Results

LONDON, Dec. 26.—Following are the results of today's scheduled league football games, played on the grounds of the first-named clubs:

First Division

Aston Villa, 0; Sheffield United, 0.
Bradford City, 2; Newcastle United, 0.
Everton, 1; Manchester United, 0.
Manchester City, 1; Liverpool, 0.
Preston North End, 1; Blackburn Rovers, 1.
Sheffield Wednesday, 5; Chelsea, 0.
Sunderland, 1; Burnley, 1.
Tottenham Hotspur, 0; Middlesborough, 1.
West Bromwich Albion, 2; Oldham Athletic, 2.

Second Division

Barnsley, 2; Bury, 0.
Bristol City, 3; Clapton Orient, 0.
Fulham, 0; Leeds City, 1.
Glossop, 4; Birmingham, 1.
Hull City, 4; Huddersfield Town, 1.
Lincoln City, 3; Leicester Fosse, 0.
Notts Forest, 1; Notts County, 0.
Stockport County, 2; Grimsby Town, 2.
Wolverhampton Wanderers, 1; Blackpool, 0.
Woolwich Arsenal, 2; Bradford, 0.

Southern League

Swindon Town, 5; Bristol Rovers, 0.
Exeter City, 1; West Ham United, 1.
Plymouth Argyle, 1; Millwall Athletic, 0.
Southampton, 4; Plymouth, 3.
Reading, 2; Brighton and Hove, 1.
Crystal Palace, 0; Southend United, 0.
Northampton, 0; Coventry City, 0.
Gillingham, 3; Watford, 0.
Norwich, 2; Queen's Park Rangers, 3.

Rugby

Leicester, 20; Birkenhead, 3.
Cardiff, 28; Barbarians, 3.
Newport, 22; Watsonians, 0.
Swansea, London Irish 0; Llanelly 16, London Welsh 6; Gloucester 12, Old Merchant Taylors 8; Cheltenham 5, Penearth 0; Neath 11, Abertillery 0; Pantypool 3, Distol 0; Jed Forest 14, Northampton 9.

Northern Union

Wigan 17, St. Helens 3; Sanford 10, Swindon 0; Halifax 36, York 10; Rochdale Hornets 13, Broughton Rangers 5; Huddersfield 31, Wakefield 8; Widens 9, Runcorn 0; Leeds 0, Hunslet 0; Keighley 8, Barrow 2; Dealsbury 10, Batley 5; Hull Kingston Rovers 9, Hull



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COMING EVENTS

Men of Devon—The Victoria Denonians will hold a whist drive at the Alexandra committee rooms on Wednesday next at 8 o'clock.

Daughters of England—The committee of the Daughters of England Social Club has made all arrangements for the fourth social and dance, to be held in the St. John's Hall, Herald Street, on Monday, December 29.

World Movements—An address will be given by the Rev. W. Stevenson at the Emmanuel Church, on Monday, January 5, the title of which is "The World's Movements and the World's Progress during 1913."

Service of Praise—Next Sunday evening the service of praise will again be given at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, when the choir will render special music, and a number of solos will be sung. A short organ recital will precede the regular service.

Old Hudson's Bay Posts—The Natural History Society will hold its regular meeting on Monday evening, December 29, at 8 o'clock, at the King's Daughters' Rest Room. A paper entitled "Old Hudson's Bay Posts" will be read by Mr. W. B. Anderson.

Empress Ball—Final preparations are being made for the Fancy Dress Ball to be held on New Year's Eve at the Empress Hotel. The management is sparing no effort to insure the comfort of its guests, and a most pleasant time may be anticipated.

Carol Singing—A special musical service will be held on Sunday evening at St. John's Church, the feature of which will be the carol singing, both by the choir and the congregation.

Good Templars' Concert—There will be a concert this evening at the Strangers' Rest at 8:30 o'clock, when the Good Templars, representing five lodges, will provide the programme.

Ivy Leaf Social Club—The committee of the Ivy Leaf Social Club has arranged to commence the 1914 season by weekly whist drives in the Mudge Hall, on Thursday, January 1. Arrangements have been made to hold a

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Class A.

Lieut. F. Richardson	100
Sergt. W. E. Tapley	98
Sergt. W. R. Smith	96
Sergt. A. Stevens	96
Pte. L. Tapley	94

Class B.

Sergt. Elliott	97
Piper Coutts	96
Piper Park	94
Pte. Peacock	96
Pte. B. C. Tapley	95
Pte. Cooney	95
Capt. Forsyth	94
Lieut. Sturgess	94
Sergt. Tuck	94
Pte. MacIntosh	94
Pte. Weir	92
Lieut. Muirhead	91
Pte. Findlay	90
Pte. Sheriff	90
Sergt. Campbell	90
Pte. Paul	89
Major Lorne Rose	86
Capt Roberts	86

Class C.

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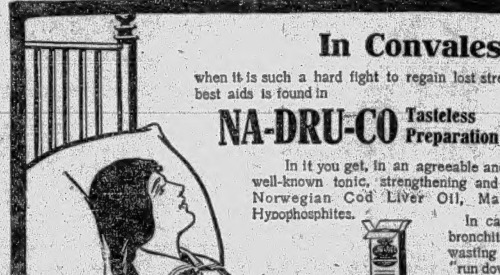
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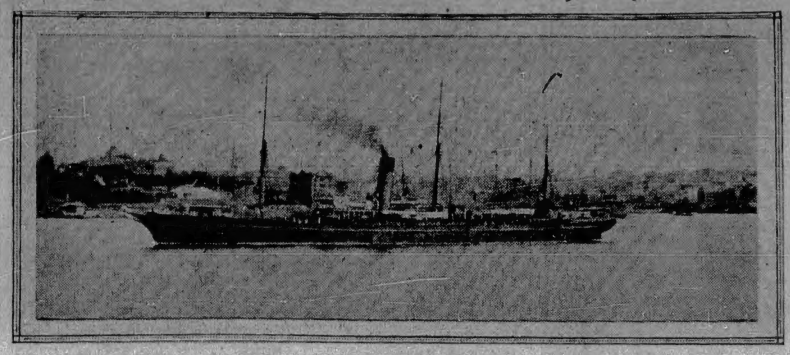
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AJAX OVERHAULED TACOMA ON COAST

Although Japanese Steamer Had Eighteen Hours' Lead, Blue Funnel Liner Reached Port With Hour to Spare.

As the Blue Funnel steamship Ajax was steaming into Yokohama harbor from Hongkong during the afternoon of December 10, she signalled the outbound Japanese steamer Tacoma Maru; and the officers of the big British freighter pledged themselves to beat the Nippon steamer to Victoria in spite of her long lead. The Tacoma Maru sailed from the Japan port exactly eighteen hours ahead of the Ajax, but the Blue Funnel freighter overhauled her at sea and led her into port with an hour to spare. From Captain Thompson down the officers of the Ajax are well pleased with the performance of the big single-stacker on her third voyage to the North Pacific. Continuous gales battered her from almost every point of the compass, but as she was steaming exceptionally light the seas failed to make much impression.

Had she been heavily laden, the progress of the Ajax would have been considerably retarded and the Tacoma might have won out in the race for port.

Upon the arrival of the Ajax in the Far East on her next outward trip from this Coast, she will enter the Taiko Dock at Hongkong for survey.

Brings New Officers

There are a number of new faces aboard the Ajax on the present voyage. It was arranged earlier in the year that some of the "benedicts," comprising the officers of the vessel, should be transferred after several months service on the intermediary steamship, and among those who have embarked on ships bound for the United Kingdom is Chief Mate F. Pugh. He has been replaced by Chief Mate Christy. Second Mate H. Bugby has also been transferred to one of the European vessels, his berth on the Ajax being taken by former Third Mate G. Roberts, promoted. As it was impossible for the Ajax to reach Port Townsend before sundown, arrangements were made to hold the vessel over here until daybreak when she departed for Puget Sound.

TAKING HUGE SHIPMENTS

Clearing This Port on Tuesday the Tamba Maru Will Be a Full Ship

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha liner Tamba Maru is now rapidly completing cargo on Puget Sound, preparatory to leaving this port on Tuesday next on her outward voyage to ports in the Far East. The Tamba is now taking large shipments of flour and grain at Seattle and Tacoma. Other items of her outward cargo will include cotton, fish and machinery. By the time she clears Victoria the Tamba will be a full ship. A number of passengers will board the liner at the Outer docks on Tuesday afternoon. She is making her thirty-ninth outward trip, being the oldest vessel in the service.

COLONIST SHIPPING GUIDE

Ocean Steamships

To Arrive

Kentra, from New York	Dec. 30
Den of Airlie, from London	Jan. 1
Aki Maru, from Orient	Jan. 2
Sithonia, from Hamburg	Jan. 4
Makura, from Australia	Jan. 6
Empress of Japan, from Orient	Jan. 8
Seattle Maru, from Orient	Jan. 9
Sado Maru, from Orient	Jan. 15
Siam, from Copenhagen	Jan. 15
Englewood, from Liverpool	Jan. 20
Teucer, from Liverpool	Jan. 17
Empress of Russia, from Orient	Jan. 19
Merionethshire, from London	Jan. 20
Panama Maru, from Orient	Jan. 23
Yokohama Maru, from Orient	Jan. 29
Arna, from New York	Jan. 31
Niagara, from Australia	Feb. 3
Taithybius, from Liverpool	Feb. 14
Glenfoy, from London	Feb. 28

In Port

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To Sail

Tamba Maru, for Orient	Dec. 30
Empress of Asia, for Orient	Dec. 31
Tacoma Maru, for Orient	Jan. 6
Ajax, for Orient	Jan. 7
Aki Maru, for Orient	Jan. 14
Makura, for Australia	Jan. 21

Sailed

Empress of Russia, for Orient	Dec. 5
Chicago Maru, for Orient	Dec. 9
Shidzuoka Maru, for Orient	Dec. 16
Titan, for Liverpool	Dec. 18
Empress of India, for Orient	Dec. 20
Canada Maru, for Orient	Dec. 23
Marama, for Australia	Dec. 24
Tacoma Maru, for Sound	Dec. 26
Ajax, for Sound	Dec. 26

Sailing Vessels Coming On

Battle Abbey, from Australia, 67 days out
David Evans, from Hiogo, Japan
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Coastwise Sailings

TO VANCOUVER—Princess Adelaide 10:30 a. m.; Princess Victoria, daily, 8:30 p. m.; Princess Alice, daily, 11:45 p. m.; Prince George, 10 a. m., Mondays; Prince Rupert, 10 a. m., Thursdays.
TO SEATTLE—Princess Charlotte, daily, 6:30 p. m.; Prince George, 10 a. m., Sundays; Prince Rupert, 10 a. m., Wednesdays; Iroquois daily.
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TO HOLBERG—Princess Maquinna, 7th and 30th of every month.
TO COMOX—Charmer, Mondays, 12 p. m.
TO NANAIMO—Charmer, Mondays, 12 p. m.
TO GULF ISLANDS—Joan, daily, 7 a.m.
TO SAN FRANCISCO—Umatilla, Senator, alternate Wednesdays, 9 a. m.

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SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE

6 p.m.

Pachena—Rain; S. E., strong; 29.79; 49; sea rough. SS. Princess Maquinna abeam at 3 p.m., southbound.

Estevan—Rain; S. E.; 29.70; 45; sea rough.

Alert Bay—Rain; S. E., strong; 29.67; 45. SS. British Columbia out at 4:45 p.m., southbound.

Ikeda—Cloudy; S. E., strong; 29.90; 48; sea rough.

Triangle—Rain; S. E. gale; 29.35; 45; sea rough.

Dead Tree Point—Rain; S. E., light; 29.78; 48; sea rough.

Prince Rupert—Rain; S. E. gale; 29.38; 40; sea rough. SS. Princess Royal out at 2 p.m., southbound.

Tatoosh—Rain; 18 miles; 29.99; 45; outside, inbound, ship General Faidherbe.

OUTBOUND STEAMERS MET FIERCE STORMS

Mexico Maru and Yokohama Maru Seriously Delayed by Weather en Route From Victoria to Yokohama.

All vessels plying from this Coast to the Far East have been badly battered by gales which have swept the Pacific from one side to the other during the latter part of December. Although dirty weather is expected by all transpacific navigators at this season of the year, the recent storms have been unusually severe, and all deep-sea shipping has suffered serious delay. Word was brought by the officers of the Japanese steamer Tacoma Maru, which steamed into port yesterday afternoon from the Orient, that the liner Mexico Maru, also of the Osaka Shosen Kaisha, was two days late in arriving at Yokohama from Victoria. The Mexico Maru was in wireless communication with the Tacoma Maru and reported that she had met with adverse winds all the way across the Pacific and heavy seas had been responsible for the set-back to the vessel. The Mexico Maru was due at Yokohama on December 13, but failed to reach the Japanese port until December 16.

The Mexico sailed from Victoria, November 14, laden with a full cargo of freight and many passengers for the Orient.

Yokohama Swept By Seas

Another transpacific steamship that suffered delay through stormy weather was the Nippon Yusen Kaisha liner Yokohama Maru. She was fully five days behind schedule upon her arrival at Yokohama. For many days during the transpacific passage, the Yokohama Maru was swept from stem to stern by big seas, and one of the Japanese seamen had a narrow escape from being washed overboard when a heavy sea caught him and swept him to the deck-rail. Owing to her late arrival at Yokohama the Japanese liner was considerably delayed in departing for Hongkong. She is due to leave Hongkong, December 30, on her eighth trip to the North Pacific coast.

HOVE TO IN GALE TO REPAIR DAMAGE

Heavy Seas Stove In Ports of Inbound Japanese Steamer When Bucking a Stiff Northeaster.

On one occasion during his recent transpacific voyage, Captain Hamada, master of the Osaka Shosen Kaisha liner Tacoma Maru, was compelled to bring his ship to leeward to repair damage sustained by heavy seas, before he considered it advisable to again proceed in the teeth of a raging gale that seemed to threaten the safety of the ship. On the third day out from the Japanese coast the Tacoma Maru ran into a strong northeaster, and as the day advanced a number of ports were stove in forward by the heavy seas that smashed against the bulwarks and flopped over the forecastle. It looked so dirty ahead that the skipper decided to bring the ship to in order that the damage might temporarily be repaired. While the ship's carpenters worked the storm was raging on the windward side, and the vessel rolled in the trough of a heavy sea. Although big green seas continued to find their way aboard during the greater part of the trip, no further damage was caused to the ship. She was heavily laden, but outrode the gales in splendid style. Snowstorms were encountered on December 14, and up to December 22 the upper works of the Tacoma were covered more or less with a soft, white mantle.

The Tacoma brought 4,000 dead-weight tons of Oriental cargo, and during her stay at this port she discharged 141 tons. She had twelve Oriental passengers for Victoria and thirty-five Japanese for Tacoma. On the manifest of the liner figured 239 bales of raw

SAVED SEAMEN FROM SINKING SCHOONER

Three Japanese Rescued at Sea by Steamship Tacoma Maru and Brought Across Pacific to Victoria.

When the Osaka Shosen Kaisha liner Tacoma Maru reached Victoria early yesterday from the Orient, she carried three passengers that did not figure on her Yokohama sailing list. There were three Japanese seamen who had been picked up from a sinking schooner off the Coast of Japan.

The Tacoma Maru was about twenty hours steaming from Yokohama when her look-out sighted distress signals flying from a small schooner some three miles distant, which turned out to be the Sumiyoshi Maru, a coasting vessel of 41 tons, which had been badly crippled by heavy weather. Shortly after dawn on the second day out, the schooner was sighted with her main mast gone and her sails overboard. The schooner was leaking badly, and in danger of sinking at any minute. She was soon overhauled by the Japanese liner, and her crew of three, Monzo Hayashi, Yoshigiro Hayashi and Shinishi Shimizu were safely hauled to the deck of the Tacoma Maru.

Following their rescue Monzo Hayashi, master of the schooner, stated that they were bound from Tanabe Kichu to Awasi, and had been driven offshore by severe gales.

Failed to Ram Vessel

In order that the derelict schooner might not be a danger to navigation, Captain Hamada, drove his vessel with slow ahead engines against the craft in an effort to sink her, but owing to the heavy seas, was forced to give up the attempt, and the vessel was abandoned in latitude 36.26 N. and longitude 142.48 E. The loss of the schooner did not appear to trouble the Japanese seamen. They were glad to escape with their lives.

The three Japanese will be returned to Japan aboard the Tacoma Maru.

HARBOR REGULATIONS ARE TO BE ENFORCED

Terminal City Commissioners Confirm Appointment of Captain Reed as Harbor Master

VANCOUVER, Dec. 26.—The Vancouver Board of Harbor Commissioners has confirmed the appointment of Lieutenant A. H. Reed, R. N. R., as harbormaster.

Mr. Reed has been in the position for some time, but until yesterday his appointment has not been confirmed by the new harbor commission. In addition to this the commissioners formally appointed him port warden. Captain S. Cullington was appointed deputy port warden. Mr. J. B. Campbell was officially confirmed in the ofice of shipping master. A resolution was passed that the offices of these gentlemen would be officially open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on each legal day. The commissioners also decided that they would meet to receive deputations and persons interested in harbor matters on Tuesdays and Fridays at 11 a.m.

The harbor master was given emphatic instructions to enforce the regulations against depositing in the harbor any ballast, stone, gravel, earth, cinders, ashes, timber, sawlogs, log-ends, piles, dckings, slabs, rinds, bark, chips, sawdust, mill refuse, fish refuse, or rubbish of any description, oil, tar or other inflammable or otherwise dangerous substance.

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Stock Markets and Financial News

ADVANCE IN PRICES IS CARRIED FURTHER

Reading Again Leads in Upward Movement, but Later Causes a Reaction—New Haven Recovering.

NEW YORK, N. Y., Dec. 26.—The rise in stocks, which began a week ago, was carried further today, with Reading again the central figure in the movement. The market failed, however, to show the sustained serength of recent days. Offerings were heavier, and although the market still possessed large absorbable capacity, prices gradually fell back. Individual stocks moved widely, but the general run of the market revealed few important changes at the close of the day.

On the early advance there was keen bidding for the popular stocks, which increased outside buying. The rise was utilized for realizing sales. In connection with the rise in Reading there were further reports that a segregation plan was under consideration, the object of which is to bring the company into line with the Government's requirement. Denial of this put a damper on bullish speculation in Reading, and the recession in this stock was influential in bearing down the whole list. The coppers were helped by reports of better prices at home and abroad for the metal. New Haven was strong and closed at 75, making a recovery of nearly 10 points from the low price reached after the announcement that the dividend had been passed.

With the approach of the year end there was a stiffening of call money, but the rate did not rise above 4 per cent, and it was thought the requirements for financing with the turn of the year would be met with great ease.

Bonds were active and generally higher. Total sales, $2,314,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

Stocks—	Bid.	Asked.
Alaska Gold	21½	21⅝
Amal. Copper	74⅜	74½
Amn. Agr. Chemical	44⅝	46½
Amn. Beet Sugar	23½	24
Amn. Can.	30⅝	30⅞
Amn. Car. and Fdy.	45	45½
Amn. Cotton Oil	37	37½
Amn. Ice Securities	23⅝	23⅞
Amn. Locomotives	30⅜	30⅝
Amn. Smelting	64¾	65½
Amn. Sugar	107	108
Amn. Tel. and Tel.	123⅜	123⅝
Amn. Tobacco	245	247½
Amn. Woolen	14½	18
Anaconda	35½	35⅝
Atchison	94½	94⅝
do pfd.	99	100¼
B. and O.	92⅝	93
B. T. R.	88	88¼
C. P. R.	210¾	211
Central Leather	27	27¼
Ches. and Ohio	61½	61½
C. and G. W.	11⅞	12⅛
C. M. and St. P.	100⅝	101
Calif. Petro.	17½	17⅝
Colo. Fuel and Iron	28¾	29
Colo. and Southern	26	28
Con. Gas	130⅜	131⅛
D. and R. G.	15⅝	18
do pfd.	24⅝	27½
Distillers Sec.	18	18½
Erie	28⅝	29
do 1st pfd.	44⅜	45
do 2nd pfd.	35⅝	37
Goodrich	20¾	21
Gt. Nor. pfd.	127⅝	127⅝
Gt. Nor. Ore. ctfs.	34⅝	35
Illinois Cent.	108	110
Inter-Metro.	15⅜	15½
do pfd.	15⅝	15½
Inter. Harvester	102	103½
Kas. City Southern	24½	24½
L. and N.	133	135
Lehigh Valley	151	152
Mex. Petro.	45⅝	46
Guggenheim	45¼	45½
New Haven	75½	75⅝
M. S. P. and S. S. M.	126⅜	127½
do pfd.	135	145
M. K. and T.	19⅜	20¼
do pfd.	53½	54½
Mo. Pacific	22⅜	22⅜
Nat. Biscuit	121	123½
Nat. Rys of Mex.	20	28
do 2nd pfd.	8⅝	9
Nat. Lead	44	46⅛
Nev. Cons	15¼	15¼
New York Central	92¼	93½
N. Y. O. and W.	26½	28
Norfolk and West	101⅝	102⅛
Nor. Pac.	110⅛	110⅝
Pacific Mail	24½	24⅝
Pennsylvania	109⅜	110
People's Gas	121	121¼
Pressed Steel Car	26⅜	27
Railway Steel Spg.	24	24⅝
Reading	170	170⅜
Rep. Iron and Steel	20	20⅝
do pfd.	80⅝	81⅝
Rock Island	13⅛	14
do pfd.	20⅝	21
Sloss Sheffield	28	28½
Sou. Pacific	89⅞	90
Sou. Railway	23	23⅛
do pfd.	76½	78
Tenn. Copper	30⅝	31
Texas Pacific	13½	13⅝
Twin City	106	106⅛
Union Pacific	156⅛	156¼
do pfd.	85	85⅛
U. S. Rubber	56⅛	56⅝
do 1st pfd.	100⅛	100⅜
U. S. Realty	53	55
U. S. Steel	60⅛	60¼
do pfd.	106⅛	106⅜
Utah Copper	50	50¼
Va. Car Chemical	27½	28⅛
Wabash	2⅝	3
do pfd.	7⅜	8½
Western Union	57¼	57⅜
Westinghouse	65⅜	66
Wisconsin Central	43	45
Granby (Boston)	73	73¾

Total sales, 478,000 shares.

Money on call, high, 4; low, 3; bid, 3½ per cent.

MONTREAL STOCKS

MONTREAL, Que., Dec. 26.—The early buoyancy on the New York market infused no life or strength into the local stocks today, the reopening after the holidays being marked by trading of a duller and more lifeless kind than any which had preceded it. Price fluctuations were narrow and irregular, and indicated no definite trend.

A little over 1,500 shares made up the day's business in listed stocks, and in view of the dullness the decision to close the exchange on Saturday was accepted. C. P. R. was totally inactive 1-8 from the close Wednesday. Continued weakness in Brazilian, which sold off to 82 1-4, was one of the few features of the market. Power eased off 1-4 to 215 1-4. Unlisted stocks were featureless.

MONTREAL STOCKS

Stocks—	Bid.	Asked.
Bell. Tel.	141	142
Brazil	82½	82½
Dom. Bridge	113	117
B. C. Packers	118	123
Can. Cement	28½	29
do pfd.	90½	91½
C. P. R.	211	211½
Can. Cot. com.	32	35
do pfd.	73	75
Crown Reserve	170	172
Can. Conv.	38	40
Can. Car. Fdy.	59	60
Detroit Un.	70¼	71
Dom. Canners	62½	65
Dom. Iron and S.	38½	38¾
do pfd.	93	94½
Ill. Traction	67	...
Lake of Woods	128	130
Laurentide	164	165
McDonald Co.	15	...
Mackay com.	76	79
Montreal Power	215½	216½
Mex. Light com.	48	52
N. S. Steel	76	78
Ogilvie com.	..	118¾
Ottawa Power	164½	164¾
Penman com.	..	50
Quebec Ry.	12	12½
R. and O. Nav. Co.	111⅛	111¼
Shawinigan	132	133
Sherwin Wms.	53	...
do pfd.	..	90
Soo Line	125	127
Steel of Canada	16	20
Spanish River	9	...
Textile	2	3
Toronto Ry.	133	134
Tucketts	..	35½
Twin City	106⅝	106¾
Wpg. Elec.	..	200
Wayagamac	22	24
W. C. Power	61	54

CHICAGO MARKETS

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
Dec.	87⅝	87⅝	87⅛	87⅛
May	90⅝	90⅝	90⅜	90¼
July	87	87	86⅝	86⅝
Corn—				
Dec.	69½	69⅝	68½	68½
May	69⅜	69⅝	68½	68½
July	68⅛	68⅞	68¼	68¼
Oats—				
Dec.	38⅝	38⅝	33½	38½
May	41¼	41⅝	41	41
July	40½	40½	40⅛	40⅛
Pork—				
Jan.	20.42	20.42	20.32	20.32
May	20.77	20.77	20.75	20.77
Lard—				
Jan.	10.62	10.67	10.62	10.62
May	11.02	11.02	10.97	10.97
Short Ribs—				
Jan.	10.75	10.77	10.72	10.72
May	11.10	11.12	11.02	11.02

VICTORIA STOCK EXCHANGE

Stocks—	Bid.	Asked.
Balfour Patents, pfd	..	.75
Blackbird Syndicate	..	100.00
B. C. Life	..	215.00
B. C. Trust Co.	100.00	...
B. C. Packers, com.	15.00	...
B. C. Refining Co.	.56	...
B. C. Copper Co.	2.00	3.00
Crow's Nest Coal	..	70.00
C. N. P. Fisheries	..	1.10
Can. P. S. Lbr. Co.	..	2.00
Can. Cons. S. and R.	81.00	...
Coronation Gold	.25	.35
Dominion Trust Co.	100.00	...
G. W. Perm. Loan	..	130.00
Granby	74.00	75.00
Int. C. and C. Co.	.31½	.37
McGillivray Coal	.16	.25
Nugget Gold	..	.26
Portland Canal	..	.03
Pac. Loan	18.00	...
Rambler Cariboo	.18	.25
Red Cliff	.05	...
Standard Lead	1.40	1.70
Snowstorm	.20	.27
Stewart M. and D.	..	.01
Slocan Star	..	.52
S. S. Isl. Creamery	7.50	...
Stewart Land	..	8.00
Vict. Phoenix Brew.	120.00	...
Unlisted—		
American Marconi	..	5.00
B. C. Coal and Oil	..	.50
Canadian Marconi	..	4.00
Can. West Trust	..	90.00
Can. Pac. Oil	..	.06
Glacier Creek	..	.05
Island Investment	..	.25
North Shore Ironworks	..	.35
Bakeries, Ltd.	..	11.00

REVIEW OF TRADE

NEW YORK, N. Y., Dec. 26.—Dispatches to Dun's Review from branches in the leading interior cities of Canada report that while Christmas trading has been in generally satisfactory volume, indications in wholesale lines show a quietness usual at the end of the year. Montreal reports no particular change. Sorting up business on drygoods is light, but deliveries of Spring goods are already in fair amount. Holiday sales were well up to those of a year ago, but staples are moving slowly and not much improvement is expected till the advent of the cold weather.

Business in Quebec is not very heavy, and there continues to be some complaint regarding unfavorable climatic conditions.

Wholesale trade at Toronto is not especially active, but quiet conditions at this time are not unexpected, and improvement in the near future is indicated by a somewhat more confident feeling among the leading merchants. Christmas sales have been good, but buying was confined largely to the medium and low priced lines. Future orders for drygoods are rather below expectations, and the demand for leather and hides is slow.

Hamilton reports that trade in Christmas goods was about the same as last year, and wholesale business is quiet, as most of the travelers are off the road for the holidays.

There has been little change in conditions in the West and Northwest, and the situation as a whole is about normal. Much complaint is heard at Winnipeg regarding the effect of warm weather, but trade in Christmas goods was very fair and staples are moving in fairly satisfactory volume. Business at Calgary compares favorably with that of a year ago, especially in Christmas goods, and some merchants report indications of improvement in conditions. An active demand for groceries, provisions, etc., is noted at Regina, but colder weather is required to stimulate the movement in some lines.

Holiday trade has not been so good at Saskatoon, as a year ago, owing to the scarcity of money, but country merchants are carrying light stocks and the outlook is considered promising.

Gross earnings of all Canadian railways reporting to date for the first two weeks of December show a gain of 1.5 per cent. as compared with the earnings of the same roads a year ago.

Commercial failures in Canada this week numbered 26, as against 35 last week and 25 the same week last year.

GRAIN MARKETS

WINNIPEG, Man., Dec. 26.—The wheat market was closed today and will not open until Monday. Liverpool and Paris were also observing the Christmas holidays, and will not resume business until Monday. American markets were trading as usual.

There was no trading of importance on the curb at Winnipeg.

Prices on the American market on options were unchanged to lower, further reports stating that the Winter wheat areas had received a good covering of snow, causing a bearish tendency.

Minneapolis opened unchanged to 1-8 lower and closed unchanged to 1-2 lower.

Buenos Aires market opened unchanged.

Inspections Wednesday and Thursday were 933 cars, against 1,591 for the same day last year, and of that number 566 were wheat.

LONDON EXCHANGE

LONDON, Dec. 26—(W. A. P. cable)—The heavy demands for holiday currency are expected to weaken tomorrow's bank returns and offset the gold arrivals of the week, which total $1,970,000. A big margin of strength over last year will probably be maintained. Bill brokers have no desire to transact heavy business for the future, which is a significant indication of the sense of the uncertainty as to the foreign financial developments in the new year.

An industrial survey of the trade situation shows all trades below last year, but the conditions are fairly healthy.

In many of the heavier trades, the Christmas holiday extended for two weeks and thus allowed orders to accumulate. Cheaper coal and materials help the railways.

Brokers recommend the Grand Trunk Pacific notes as a good investment, and the scrip is expected to be more active and higher after the new year.

No violently controversial financial legislation is expected at the impending session of Parliament, but the Government's method of meeting the increased expenditure is anxiously awaited in the financial district.

LOCAL MARKETS

RETAIL

Vegetables

Brussels Sprouts, lb.	.15
Beets, new, per lb.	.04
Cabbage, new per lb.	.04
Carrots, 9 lbs.	.25
Celery, Cal.; 2 bunches	.35
Celery, Okanagan, 2 lbs.	.25
Cauliflowers, each	.30
Florida Grape Fruit, 3 for	.25
Green Onions, 5 bunches	.10
Hothouse Lettuce	.05
Local Hothouse Tomatoes, lb.	.20
Sweet Potatoes, 5 lbs.	.25
Ashcroft Potatoes, sack	1.75
Fraser River Potatoes, sack	.75
Local Potatoes, per sack	1.25
Oregon Onions, 6 lbs.	.25
Spanish Onions, 4 lbs.	.25

Dairy Produce and Eggs

Eggs—	
Egg-Laying Contest, doz.	.60
Local, fresh	.55
Eastern, fresh	.40
Butter—	
Cowichan Creamery, lb.	.50
Comox Creamery, lb.	.45
Salt Spring Isl. Creamery	.50
New Zealand, per lb.	.40
N. W. Creamery, per lb.	.45
Eastern Townships, per lb.	.35
Cheese, Canadian, per lb.	.25
English Stilton, per lb.	.55
Wisconsin Brick, per lb.	.25
Cucumbers	.20 to .35
Parsley, per bunch	.05
Peppers, per lb.	.25
Mint, per bunch	.05
Vegetable Marrow, per lb.	.20
Egg Plant, lb.	.20
Watercress, bunch	.10
Hubbard's Squash, lb.	.02
Pumpkins, lb.	.04

Meats

Wiltshire Bacon, per lb.	.30
Beef, per lb.	.12½ to .20
Broilers, per lb.	.45
Fowl, lb.	.25
Local Fowls, per lb.	.30
Turkeys, per lb.	.25
Turkeys, local, per lb.	.40
Geese, per lb.	.20
Mutton—	
Forequarters, per lb.	.15 to .17
Hindquarters, per lb.	.20 to .25
Lamb—	
Forequarters, per lb.	.15 to .20
Hindquarters, per lb.	.20 to .25
New Zealand Mutton, per lb.	.11 to .25

Fruits

Spanish Malaga Grapes, lb.	.30
Elizabeth Grapes, per lb.	.15
Lemons, Messina, doz.	.35
Lemons, California, doz.	.50
Apples, box	$2.50 to $2.00
Melons, Casawba, each	.40
Mincemeat, per lb.	.25
Christian Melons, each	.40
Bananas, per doz.	.30
Grape Fruit, 2 for	.25
New Navel Oranges, doz.	.35 .45 .50
Japanese Oranges, per box	.60 to .65
Pears, Winter Nellie, basket	.50
Cranberries, per lb.	.20
Chestnuts, Italian, lb.	.20
Blueberries, per lb.	.20
California Dried Prunes—	
20-30, per lb.	.25
30-40, per two lbs.	.25
40-50, per two lbs.	.15
60-70 per two lbs.	.25
California Nuts—	
Soft Shelled Walnuts, lb.	.20
L. X. L. Almonds, lb.	.20
Tropic Walnuts, lb.	.25
Jumbo Pecans, lb.	.20
Fine Nuts, lb.	.25

Flour

B. & K. Bread Flour, per 49 lb. sack	1.85
Lake of the Woods, bag	1.85
Royal Household, bag	1.85
Royal Standard, bag	1.85
Moffet's Best, bag	1.75
per bag	1.85
Snowflake, per bag	1.75
Wild Rose, bag	1.85
Drifted Snow, per sack	1.85

Feed

East Washington Hay, ton	$26.00 $28.00
Alfalfa Hay, per ton	$22.00 $24.00
Timothy Hay, per ton	$19.00 $21.00
Barley, per 100 lbs.	1.60
Ground Barley, per 100 lbs.	1.60
Bran, per 100 lbs.	1.60
Shorts, per 100 lbs.	1.60
Chop Feed, per 100 lbs.	1.60
Corn, per 100 lbs.	2.10
Cracked Corn, per 100 lbs.	2.20
Oats, per 100 lbs.	1.60
Crushed Oats, per 100 lbs.	1.70
Straw, per bale	.75

The Scottish Sabbath.

That sixteenth century practice of the elders in Scotland of going the rounds to pick up offenders against Sunday rules survived until the eighteenth century. Mr. Thomsan, in his "Weavers' Craft," gives details of the "beat"—"The minister himself would make the rounds to spy with his own eyes the sins of the absentees. Here one man is found romping with his bairns; another detected kissing his wife; two men were found drinking ale; and one was found with his coat off, as if he were going to work; and still another was seen eating a hearty dinner. All were pulled up before the session or the kirk and 'repentances enforced upon each.' And now one can understand the wherefore of the drawn blind on the Sabbath which struck James Payn as astonishing in the Edinburgh of the sixties!

Even in Scotland, up to the middle of the eighteenth century, Sabbath morality was geographical. Sabbath, according to a contemporary writer, never "got aboon the Pass o' Killiecrankie." For generations after the Reformation the Highlander on Sunday "drove his cattle to market, brought home his fuel, baked his bread, fished, played shinty, and put the stone." Sunday christenings and penny weddings were common, and the presbytery books merely sent warnings against pipings, bidding, and dancing at them.

But in the Lowlands the Church took a sterner view. The Assembly forbade skippers and sailors to begin any voyage on the Lord's Day, or to "louse any ships, barks or boats." Aberdonians were fined if they failed to attend worship, the goodman and goodwife of the house contravening paid 6s. 8d., and "the servent 2s. Scots," a sore burden to be borne in the seventeenth century. The record of absentees is scanty.—London Chronicle.

Wall Street Brokers

Cheerily predicting the "reorganization" of weak Stock Exchange firms on January 1, The Wall Street Journal offers "in all helpfulness and charity" some rude remarks on the causes of dry-rot:

"What kills the old-fashiond brokerage firms, with names familiar to those who follow that backstairs gossip called 'society news,' is the overhead charges. A house at Newport, another on Long Island, a third in the South, a cottage in the Adirondacks, a dozen expensive club memberships, and half as many automobiles for each partner in the firm, make up an expenditure which only boom times or the depletion of capital can meet. When the lean times come, something must give way."

Wall Street knows better than its mentor. The only trouble is lack of customers. Young John D. Rockefeller once said that the independents ruined in making a trust are like buds pinched off by a gardener to nurture one perfect American Beauty rose. So in the good old times many shorn lambs would shiver in the gale to perfect that fairest, holiest sights of earth—one typical Wall Street firm, with all its appanage of automobiles, cottages, flunkies and greenhouses.

Does The Journal expect a broker to rise early, sweep the store, wait on customers, chalk the blackboard, run out at night to his chicken farm, don overalls, do the chores, milk the cow and put in the evening studying the securities he sells? What has the study of securities to do with Wall Street? All it needs to know is what they will sell for. No reform and retrenchment; no early to bed and early to rise; no penny saved is penny earned; No Simple Life—for Wall Street!

No! if Wall Street is to be saved it must be with colors flying, unprofaned by impious change. Once in a dark and anxious hour the Nation resorted to the draft. Why not now a conscription of customers for a menaced institution?—New York World.

Deafness Cannot Be Cured.

By local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the eustachian tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

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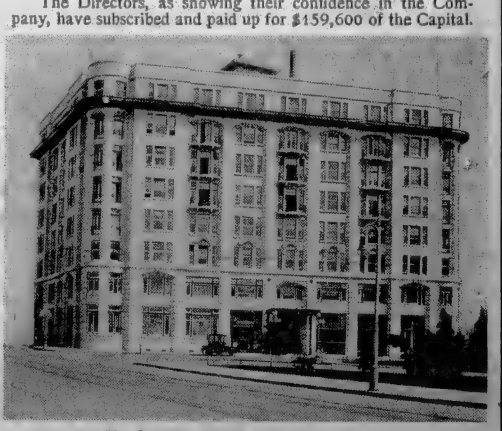
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The Directors have arranged to open for General Business on January 2, 1914, commodious offices having been fitted up on the ground floor of the Belmont House (The Trust Company Building), the same being specially adapted for a Trust Company business.

SAFE DEPOSIT VAULTS of the most modern design have been ordered and are now being constructed at the factory. These will be the most complete in the city.

The Trust Company of Victoria is a company organized by Victoria people in the interests of the City of Victoria and the Province of British Columbia and should, within a short time, take its place among the strong financial institutions of the Province.

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DIVIDEND NOTICE

The Imperial Canadian Trust Company

Head Office, Winnipeg.

Notice is hereby given that a dividend at the rate of SEVEN per cent per annum, upon the paid-up capital stock of the company, has been declared for the year ending December 31, 1913, payable at the Head Office of the company, and its branches, on and after Friday, January 2, 1914.

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By order of the Board.

W. T. ALEXANDER,
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BETHUNE AVE.—Four rooms, fully furnished, heaters and range, bath and toilet, fully modern, lot cost $1,750 and house rents for $30 per month; price $2,750; $300 cash, balance $20 per month.

Suite 7 Bridgeman Block **CAMPBELL BROS.** Telephone 3474 1007 Government St.

NOTICE

Take notice that application will be made to the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria, at their first sitting after the expiration of thirty (30) days from the date of this notice, for a transfer of all my interest in the License held by me and H. H. Molony to sell spirituous and fermented liquors by retail on the premises known as "The Brown Jug Saloon," situated at the corner of Government and Fort Streets, in the said City of Victoria, to the said H. H. Molony, and for transfer of said License from the above mentioned premises to numbers 1017-19 Government Street of the said City of Victoria.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 11th day of December, 1913.

"G. G. MELDRAM."

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that I intend to apply at the next sitting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria for a transfer of the hotel license to sell spirituous and fermented liquors in the premises known as the St. George Hotel from us to Andrew Kennedy.

Dated this 8th day of November, 1913.

ANDERSON & FRASER.

MUNICIPAL ACT, 1906
LIQUOR ACT, 1910

Intending applicants for Hotel licences for the ensuing six months are requested to notify the undersigned in writing not later than the 20th inst., of their intention to apply for such licences, so that the necessary inspection of the premises may be made to ascertain whether the premises for which application is made contain the accommodation required under the Municipal Act.

PETER GARDNER,
Clerk to the Board of Licensing Commissioners.
5th Dec., 1913.

Easy Buys

Five-Roomed House, on Superior Street, near Parliament Square, with lot 60x120. Four rooms can be added cheaply in the upper floor. The price for this is $7,900, on payment of $600 cash, and balance at $35 per month, and interest at 7 per cent quarterly.

Five Acres of the very best land in the Saanich district, with buildings; near railway station. The land is all cleared, and has been used as a market garden, every foot of it being cleared. This can be purchased for $2,700, on payment of $1,000 cash, and the balance in three years on mortgage.

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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the partnership existing between E. J. Bresemann and M. Eugene Durfee, doing business as architects in Victoria and Nanaimo, B. C., under the name of "Bresemann & Durfee," has this day been dissolved by mutual consent; E. J. Bresemann continuing the business in his own name in Nanaimo and to whom all accounts are to be presented for payment and to whom all monies and outstanding accounts shall be paid as negotiated for by the Nanaimo office of the said firm. Likewise will the said M. Eugene Durfee continue the business in his own name in Victoria and to whom all accounts shall be presented for payment and to whom all monies and outstanding accounts shall be paid as negotiated for by the Victoria office of the firm.

(Signed) E. J. BRESEMANN,
M. EUGENE DURFEE.

Dated November 21, 1913.

LIQUOR ACT, 1910.

NOTICE is hereby given that, on the first day of January next, application will be made to the Superintendent of Provincial Police for renewal of the wholesale license to sell liquor by wholesale, at 1117 Wharf Street, in the city of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia.

Dated this 26th day of November, 1913.

R. P. RITHET & CO.,
Applicant.

The Colonist
Jobbing Departments

Take pleasure in wishing their many customers the Compliments of the Season, and look forward to a continuance of their trade and patronage in the future . . .

We owe our large trade in the Jobbing Departments in the past to the fact that we have turned out nothing but high-class work, and, with the addition to our Building and Plant, of the most modern facilities for handling the work, large or small, in the future we should be able to satisfy the most exacting customer, and also guarantee that our prices are as low as any in the city.

The pay roll of The Colonist averages now between $3,500 and $4,000 per week, and is spent by our employees in the city. This could be largely added to if our merchants would patronize us and get all their work done in Victoria.

The Colonist Jobbing Departments

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Chester Street, one block east of Cook and south of Fairfield Road, a splendid 1½-story dwelling of 8 rooms, all modern conveniences, cement basement, heated by hot water; garage with cement floor; gas Rudd heater; hardwood floors. Lot 60x120. On very easy terms. Price $7,500

Howe Street, south of May Street, bungalow of 6 rooms, new and modern, cement basement, heated by hot-air furnace; garage, etc. Lot 50x85. Terms to suit purchaser. Price $5,250

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NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session for an Act amending chapter 20 of the "Statutes of British Columbia, 1884," by providing:—

1. That trustees under the Model Deed of the Methodist Church shall have authority to hold, administer, and dispose of property bequeathed or given for special use of particular congregations.

2. That the Methodist Church shall have power to authorize any annual conference in British Columbia to establish a Board of Trust for holding and administering property on its behalf, and to establish City Mission and Church Extension Boards.

3. That the Methodist Church, or any such Board as aforesaid or any trustees under the said Model Deed shall have authority to alienate any property to any other body for the purpose of co-operation in carrying on religious work.

4. That an annual conference shall be enabled, under conditions, to deal with the proceeds of the sale of property.

5. For dealing with vacancies and replacement of trustees and making provisions for a quorum thereof.

6. Generally for making effective in British Columbia the provisions of an Act respecting the Methodist Church, being Chapter 116 of the "Statutes of Canada, 1912."

Dated at Vancouver, B.C., this 10th day of December, 1913.

HARRIS, BULL, HANNINGTON & MASON, Solicitors for the Applicant.

NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Board of License Commissioners for the City of Victoria, at their first sitting next after the expiration of thirty days from the date of this Notice, for the transfer of the license held by me to sell spirituous and fermented liquors by retail on the premises, known as the "Retreat Saloon," situated at the corner of Blanchard and Yates Street, in the said City of Victoria, to the premises known as the "Scott Building," situated at the corner of Douglas Street and Hillside Avenue, and also for the transfer of said license from me to Charles A. Steele, of the said City of Victoria.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 4th day of December, 1913.

J. H. GOSNELL.

LIQUOR ACT, 1910

Notice is hereby given that, on the first day of January next, application will be made to the Superintendent of Provincial Police for renewal of the wholesale license to sell liquor by wholesale, at 1019 Fort Street, in the city of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia.

Dated this 1st day of December, 1913.

PITHER & LEISER, LTD.,
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Acre Block in Garden City Park, nicely situated and with good view. Owner must sell and will sacrifice. Terms $300 cash, balance very easy terms. Price $1,500

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LETTERS WRITTEN BY TOLSTOI TO HIS WIFE

Widow Publishes Volume With View to Her Own Defence—Said to Reveal the Author as a Man.

Tolstoi's widow has entered her defence against the husband who fled from her at the last and chose to die along among strangers rather than remain and have the partner of fifty years' married life at his bedside. The volume contains every letter but three or four that he ever wrote to her, and the suppressed letters either concern some persons now living, and probably speak in uncomplimentary or even libelous fashion about them, or pertain to some trifles that would interest nobody now. Nevertheless, some of the published letters appear to strike the bottom of triviality. When he wrote to his wife, Tolstoi was not writing for posterity. He was discussing as prosaic matters as ever formed the subject of a note between husband and wife. The Countess does not say that the letters are a defence, although in her preface she does refer to the "lofty duty of being the wife of a genius and a great man." She believes that the letters will reveal Tolstoi the man as do none of his works, and certainly we get a vivid impression of him.

A Human Husband.

It might be said fairly that the letters might be read without anyone suspecting that Tolstoi was any particular genius. While he speaks with the utmost intimacy to his wife, he does not discuss with her such matters as he might discuss with another genius. The early letters deal with their children. He writes as foolishly as any young father, and sends goo-gooing messages to his first-born. It is plain enough that the life of the Tolstois was not vastly different in the early years from the lives of most other married persons. There are references to harsh words uttered, and apologized for by post. There is reference to one incident that will cause most husbands and wives to smile. It appears that one evening Tolstoi was in the company of a poet, and that in the eager exchange of their ideas they were unconscious of the flight of time. So it happened that after four o'clock in the morning Tolstoi turned up to keep an appointment to take his wife home. What she said was probably what any other woman would say, whether her husband was a genius or not.

Tolstoi's Proposal.

We are shown a copy of the letter in which he proposed to his wife, but it is an old friend to readers of Tolstoi, having already appeared in "Anna Karenina." Here it is again, and it is worth a second reading:—

"Sophy Andreyevna: It is becoming unendurable to me. Every day for three weeks I have said: 'Today I will tell her all'; and each time I come away with the same anguish, repentance, terror, and joy in my soul. And each night, even as this moment, I go over the past, I torment myself and ask: 'Why did I not speak, and how and what should I say?' I bring with me this letter to give to you, in case once more it is impossible or my soul will not let me tell you all. The false looks of your family are due, it seems to me, to the supposition that I am in love with your sister Liza. This is not true. Your story remained in my mind, because on reading it I persuaded myself that it did not suit me, Dublitsky (a character resembling Tolstoi in Miss Behr's story which was printed in 1860), to dream of happiness . . . that your admirable, poetic, demands of love . . . that I was not jealous and feel I will not be jealous of the one whom you loved. It seemed to me that I could rejoice for you as for children. At Ivitzi I wrote (on the card table in chalked initials): Your presence too vividly reminds me of my advanced age and the impossibility of happiness and especially . . . But both then and afterwards I was lying to you. Even then I might have cut everything short and fled back to my monastery of solitary work and of passion for activity. Now I can do nothing; I feel that I have lost you the favor of your family. That the simple, dear relations with you, as with another frank and honest person, are spoiled. And I cannot go and I dare not remain. I beg of you as an honorable person, with your hand on your heart, not hastily, for God's sake, not hastily, tell me, what am I to do? 'He your laugh at is your slave.' I should have died of mortification, if a month ago anyone had told me that I could be tormented as I am now and happily tormented all this time. Tell me as an honorable person (literally, man), do you want to be my wife? Only let it be from your whole soul; you might say 'Yes' boldly, but it would be better for you to say 'No' if there is a shadow of doubt about it. For God's sake, ask yourself honestly. It would be terrible to hear you say 'No,' but I foresee it and I shall find strength in myself to bear it. But if I am never to be a husband loved as I love—that will be horrible. . . ."

Reproaches and Arguments.

When Tolstoi was absent from his wife it was his habit to write her a letter each day, sometimes a mere note. In reply to a reproach he said that he never forgot her for a moment while he was with other human beings, but he admitted that when he was shooting snipe he did not think of her. To what we must conceive to have been reproaches later on, he swore that he still loved her, but went on to explain that while love may endure it will not endure without change. He loved her—but in a different way. The Countess, however, appears to have been no different from the average woman in this respect, that the explanation did not satisfy her. She wanted to be always twenty-one, and desired that her husband should never cease to be the passionate lover. Tolstoi sought to show that this was impossible, and probably here we have the little rift within the lute that was to end in scandal and tragedy.

After he had written "What Are We To Do Then?" his wife was deeply offended, because in the book he seemed to reflect upon her and the older children. There was a quarrel. This was in 1885, at a time when the outside world had no idea that all was not well with Tolstoi in his home life. The whole truth appears to be that the Countess was not a genius like her husband. She could admire and even reverence him, but his ideals were not hers, and when he attempted to make his family practice the rugged virtues that he preached, there was opposition, and finally obstinate resistance. He chose to walk along the mountain peaks, as one critic says, while she chose the pleasant valleys. As the years advanced, the couple grew more apart.

THE CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE

Statement of the result of the business of the Bank for the year ending 29th November, 1913

Balance at credit of Profit and Loss Account, brought forward from last year		$ 771,578 88
Net Profits for the year ending 29th November, after providing for all bad and doubtful debts		2,992,951 10
		$ 3,764,529 98
This has been appropriated as follows:		
Dividends Nos. 104, 105, 106 and 107, at ten per cent. per annum		$ 1,500,000 00
Bonus of one per cent. payable 1st June		150,000 00
Bonus of one per cent. payable 1st December		150,000 00
Written off Bank Premises		500,000 00
Transferred to Pension Fund (annual contribution)		80,000 00
Transferred to Rest Account		1,000,000 00
Balance carried forward		384,529 98
		$ 3,764,529 98

GENERAL STATEMENT
29th November, 1913

LIABILITIES

Notes of the Bank in circulation		$15,642,923 18
Deposits not bearing interest	$52,798,205 84	
Deposits bearing interest, including interest accrued to date	140,015,509 40	192,813,715 24
Balances due to other Banks in Canada		633,237 12
Balances due to Banks and Banking Correspondents elsewhere than in Canada		10,071,316 73
Bills payable		9,515,787 65
Acceptances under Letters of Credit		1,941,544 19
		$230,618,524 11
Dividends unpaid		2,666 48
Dividend No. 107 and bonus payable 1st December		525,000 00
Capital paid up	$15,000,000 00	
Rest	13,500,000 00	
Balance of Profit and Loss Account carried forward	384,529 98	28,884,529 98
		$ 260,030,720 57

ASSETS

Current Coin and Bullion	$ 9,579,473 66	
Dominion Notes	20,836,182 50	$30,415,656 16
Balances due by Banks and Banking Correspondents elsewhere than in Canada	$6,884,652 83	
Balances due by other Banks in Canada	22,122 47	
Notes of other Banks	3,106,230 00	
Cheques on other Banks	6,418,425 14	16,431,430 44
Call and Short Loans in Canada on Bonds, Debentures and Stocks		9,610,550 08
Call and Short Loans elsewhere than in Canada		16,154,360 65
Dominion and Provincial Government Securities		3,434,605 06
British, Foreign and Colonial Public Securities and Canadian Municipal Securities		2,431,989 71
Railway and other Bonds, Debentures and Stocks		18,091,224 04
Deposit with the Minister for the purposes of the Circulation Fund		738,500 00
		$ 97,308,316 14
Other Current Loans and Discounts in Canada (less rebate of interest)		136,474,874 82
Other Current Loans and Discounts elsewhere than in Canada (less rebate of interest)		18,102,015 15
Overdue Debts (estimated loss provided for)		487,554 72
Real Estate (including the unsold balance of former premises of the Eastern Townships Bank)		979,915 61
Mortgages on Real Estate sold by the Bank		433,607 32
Bank Premises		4,281,481 60
Other Assets		21,411 02
Liabilities of customers under Letters of Credit, as per contra		1,941,544 19
		$260,030,720 57

B. E. WALKER, PRESIDENT — ALEXANDER LAIRD, GENERAL MANAGER
Z. A. LASH, VICE-PRESIDENT

HEADS ACROSS PACIFIC

Freighter Buena Ventura Sets Sail With Lumber and Grain for Far East

Steaming for the Orient with a full cargo of grain and lumber, the British freighter Buena Ventura left Astoria on Christmas Day. The Buena Ventura came to this Coast in the service of the Maple Leaf Line from New York with a full cargo of steel rails and structural steel. Her last port of discharge was Prince Rupert. The Buena Ventura is a new freighter and one of the finest of her type afloat.

A County Palatine.

Durham, where the King is on holiday, ranks, as everybody knows, as a county palatine. But how many who glibly use the phrase could explain it? Palatine denotes, of course, connection with a Royal palace, and a county palatine was an earldom in which (according to Stubbs) the earl "was endowed with the superiority of the whole shire." His county was a little kingdom, and he was viceroy, responsible only to the Sovereign. In Durham the Bishop had this power. He was absolute governor of the county, administering the law, taking all profits from the courts, nominating sheriffs, holding his own councils, exercising all Royal rights and ruling independently save in homage and fealty to the Sovereign.

Thus the King's writ did not run in a county palatine which also was not represented in Parliament. Durham did not send M. P.'s to Westminster until 1854, and even then this was regarded as an outrage on the authority of the Bishop. Chester ranked with Durham, both being created by William the Conqueror. Lancashire became palatine later, and others were Kent, Shropshire, the Isle of Ely, Hexhamshire in Northumberland, and Pembroke in Wales. All these counties palatine, it will be noted, were buffer state against invasion by the Scots, Welsh, or from overseas. Both Durham and Lancashire still have their own courts of chancery independent of London.—London Chronicle.

In the Matter of the "Creditors' Trust Deeds Act."

AND IN

The Matter of Lindburg & Lund, Insolvent.

NOTICE is hereby given that, by deed of assignment, bearing date of the 17th day of December, 1913, James A. Linburg and Carl E. Lund, operating under the partnership name of Lieburg & Lund made a general assignment of all their estate, which might be seized or sold under execution, unto James A. Rennie, Secretary-Treasurer of the Westminster Trust, Limited, corner Begbie and Columbia Streets, New Westminster, British Columbia, for the general benefit of their creditors, pursuant to the "Creditors' Trust Deeds Act."

AND further take notice that all persons having claims against the above named insolvents, Linburg & Lund, are required to deliver the same, duly verified unto James A. Rennie, at Westminster Trust, Limited, corner Begbie and Columbia Streets, New Westminster, British Columbia, on or before the 29th day of January, 1914, after which date the said James A. Rennie will proceed to distribute the proceeds of the said estate, having regard only to such claims as have been duly filed with him.

A meeting of the creditors of the above named insolvents, Linburg & Lund, will be held on the 29th day of December, 1913, at the hour of 3 o'clock in the afternoon, at the office of Messrs. Farris & Emerson, 744 Hastings Street West, Vancouver, British Columbia.

Dated the 23rd day of December, 1913.

JAMES A. RENNIE,
Assignee, Linburg & Lund Estate.

CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF OAK BAY

COURT OF REVISION OF VOTERS' LIST

Public Notice is hereby given that the Court of Revision of the Voters' List will be held in the Council Chamber, Oak Bay Avenue, on Monday, January 5, 1914, at 8 p. m.

F. M. CLAYTON,
C. M. C.

NOTICE OF CANCELLATION OF RESERVE.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Reserve, covering Lot No. 24, Range 5, Coast District, notice of which appeared in The B. C. Gazette on the 23rd of May, 1890, is cancelled for the purpose of sale by tender.

F. A. RENWICK,
Deputy Minister of Lands.
Lands Department, Victoria, B. C., November 8, 1913.

The NORTHERN CROWN BANK

REPORT OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

EIGHTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS

Held at the Banking House, Winnipeg, on Wednesday, the 17th December, 1913

The Eighth Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Northern Crown Bank was held at the Banking House, Winnipeg, on Wednesday, 17th December, 1913, at 12 o'clock noon.

There were present: Sir D. H. McMillan, K.C.M.G., Mr. J. H. Ashdown, Mr. A. B. Ellis, Mr. J. W. Armstrong (Gladstone), Mr. R. J. Macpherson, Mr. John Stovel, Mr. H. T. Champion, Mr. Kenneth MacKenzie, Mr. S. S. Cummins (New York), Mr. C. E. P. McWilliams (Toronto), Mr. W. W. Evans, Mr. W. A. Anderson, Mr. A. Reid, Mr. J. H. Fargey (La Riviere), Mr. J. Leslie, Mr. W. A. Cockshott, Mr. H. Keech (Stony Mountain), Mr. F. Steele, Mr. R. H. Nunn, Mr. J. Body (Sanford), Mr. W. M. Houston, Mr. Angus Grant, J. W. Hutchison, M. D., Mr. D. McArthur, Mr. John Allonby, and others.

It was moved by Mr. H. T. Champion, seconded by Mr. J. Stovel, that the President, Sir D. H. McMillan, take the chair.

The President, Sir D. H. McMillan, K.C.M.G., having taken the chair, it was moved by Mr. A. Reid, seconded by Mr. C. E. P. McWilliams, that Mr. Robert Campbell, the General Manager, be appointed to act as Secretary, and that Messrs. R. J. Macpherson and W. W. Evans be appointed to act as scrutineers.

The President called upon the Secretary to read the Annual Report of the Directors as follows:

THE REPORT

The Directors of the Northern Crown Bank beg to submit to the Shareholders, the Eighth Annual Report, showing the result of the Bank's business for the year ended 29th November, 1913, together with the usual statement of Assets and Liabilities as at that date.

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

Statement of the Result of the Business of the Bank for the Year Ended 29th November, 1913

(As required by Section 54 of the Bank Act)

The Balance at Credit of Profit and Loss Account on the 30th of November, 1912, was		$181,672.54
Net Profits for the year ended 29th November, 1913, after deducting expenses of management, payment of Taxes, and making necessary provision for interest due to depositors and for bad and doubtful debts		281,167.47
		$462,840.01
Appropriated as follows:		
Dividend No. 13 at 6 per cent per annum, payable 2nd June, 1913	$ 81,827.37	
Dividend No. 14 at 6 per cent per annum, payable 2nd December, 1913	83,736.44	
Transferred to Rest Account	50,000.00	
Transferred to Contingency Account	100,000.00	
Transferred to Pension Fund	5,000.00	
Reserved for depreciation in Bonds and Securities	10,000.00	
Reserved for Unearned Interest	40,000.00	
		$370,563.81
Balance carried forward at Credit of Profit and Loss Account		$ 92,276.20

STATEMENT OF SHAREHOLDERS

(As required by Section 54 of the Bank Act)
29TH NOVEMBER, 1913

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock paid in		$ 2,811,804.37
Rest		350,000.00
Profit and Loss Account		92,276.20
		$ 3,254,080.57
Unclaimed Dividends		857.93
Dividend No. 14, payable 2nd December, 1913		83,736.44
		$ 3,338,674.94
Notes of the Bank in Circulation		$ 3,196,498.50
Deposits not bearing interest	$5,157,517.56	
Deposits bearing interest, including interest accrued to date of statement	9,575,348.26	
		$14,732,865.82
Balances due to other Banks in Canada		2,281.95
Acceptances under Letters of Credit		26,419.60
Liabilities not included in the foregoing		5,415.11
		$17,963,430.88

ASSETS

		$21,302,105.82
Current Coin held by the Bank	$ 258,328.11	
Dominion Notes held	1,272,095.50	
	$ 1,530,423.61	
Deposit with the Minister for the purposes of the Circulation Fund	174,663.00	
Deposit in the Central Gold Reserves	750,000.00	
Notes of other Banks	217,235.00	
Cheques on other Banks	1,906,787.88	
Balances due by other Banks in Canada	153,814.63	
Balances due by Banks and Banking Correspondents elsewhere than in Canada	708,887.06	
Dominion and Provincial Government securities, not exceeding market value	62,325.00	
Canadian Municipal securities and British, Foreign and Colonial Public securities other than Canadian	122,490.22	
Railway and other Bonds, Debentures and Stocks, not exceeding market value	606,534.44	
Call and Short (not exceeding thirty days) Loans in Canada on Bonds, Debentures and Stocks	1,537,785.00	
		$ 7,710,755.84
Other Current Loans and Discounts in Canada (less Rebate of Interest)		$12,890,872.90
Liabilities of Customers under Letters of Credit as per contra		26,419.60
Real Estate other than Bank Premises		58,458.22
Mortgages on Real Estate sold by the Bank		94,786.38
Overdue Debts, estimated loss provided for		129,721.55
Bank Premises, at not more than cost, less amounts written off		386,925.69
Other Assets not included in the foregoing		24,152.84
		$13,591,349.98
		$21,302,105.82

D. H. McMILLAN, President. **R. CAMPBELL, General Manager.**

Since the last Annual Meeting, Branches have been opened at: Aneroid, Sask.; Borden, Sask.; Cadillac, Sask.; Lancer, Sask.; Prelate, Sask.; and Branches have been closed at: Aylmer, Que.; Irricana, Alta.; Lumby, B. C.; Papineauville, Que.; Peachland, B. C.

Owing to the Bank's Capital having been increased, it is necessary to amend By-Law No. 1 in respect of the number of shares necessary to qualify a Shareholder for election on the Board of Directors, and you will be asked today to sanction this amendment.

The new Act calls for some changes, and more detailed information in the Statement of the condition of the Bank.

It provides for the establishment of the Central Gold Reserves, which we have made use of to some extent.

It authorizes loans to farmers against the security of their threshed grain.

It eliminates the office of Local Director.

It provides for the appointment of an outside Auditor under Section 56, and you will be asked today to make this appointment, and to fix his remuneration.

It is with the deepest regret that the Directors have to record the death of Mr. W. C. Leistikow.

The Directors have also to record with much regret the resignation from the Board of Sir R. P. Roblin, who, owing to pressure of public affairs, has been for some time unable to devote much time to the Bank's business.

They have also to record with regret the resignation of Mr. F. Nation, who, having removed to Victoria permanently, felt that he should resign in favor of a resident of Winnipeg.

The vacancies in the Board, caused by Mr. W. C. Leistikow's death and the resignations of Sir R. P. Roblin and Mr. F. Nation, have been filled by Mr. W. J. Christie, Mr. A. McTavish Campbell and Mr. John Stovel.

The Bank's Rest Account has been increased to $350,000.

All the Branches of the Bank have been carefully inspected.

In moving the adoption of the Report, Sir D. H. McMillan, the President, said:

A report has been submitted to you today which shows the Bank to be in an exceptionally strong position.

By referring to the Statement of Assets and Liabilities you will see that it has in liquid assets the very large sum of $7,710,000, being 52 per cent of its deposits, and 42 per cent of its total liabilities to the public. This means that it could pay 52 per cent of its deposits on demand in case of necessity, without calling in one dollar of its $12,000,000 of Current Loans.

It may occur to some that we have erred on the safe side by keeping so much money in a liquid or immediately available condition, but in view of the extreme financial stringency that has existed for some time, and in view of the fact that the Bank is young, it seemed to your Directors to be in the best interests of the Shareholders to keep the reserves at a figure that would make it quite independent and easy under any circumstances that might arise. It is gratifying to be able to state that at no time during the past year has any difficulty been experienced in maintaining this position. As a matter of fact it was not our intention to come to you with a statement showing 42 per cent of our liabilities to the public in liquid assets, for we do not think it necessary to carry such heavy reserves, but having kept our reserves up to a high point throughout the year, we found ourselves, during the last three months, face to face with an unusual influx of money caused by the rapid liquidation of loans and increase of deposits in the West, combined with an accumulation of funds through the expansion of our Note issue during the movement of the crop, which placed us in the position we now occupy. While maintaining this position of high reserves, we have nevertheless been able to make profits of $281,000, which is only $10,000 less than we made last year under the more favorable conditions which then prevailed. We make no apology for this comparatively small difference. You have seen in previous years the very high earning power we have under normal conditions, and the statement now before you is an evidence of what the Bank can do in the way of strengthening its position when occasion arises.

It is important at a time like the present for every business concern, financial or otherwise, to show by its statement that collections have been good. We may congratulate ourselves upon the showing we have made in this respect. Notwithstanding that we have made new loans, amounting to millions of dollars since the crop was harvested, our old loans have been paid off so rapidly that our liquid assets were not reduced.

This state of affairs is attributable to the fine weather we have experienced in the West, which enabled the farmers to harvest their grain early and quickly, and to the unusual rapidity with which the crop was moved by the Railway Companies.

Our deposits, on the whole, show up fairly well under existing circumstances. They reached their lowest level about three months ago, and have been growing steadily since that time. They are still, however, slightly below the figures shown at this date last year. This is only what is to be expected in a new country which depends so largely upon outside capital for its development, when a check is experienced in the receipt of money from abroad for loaning and investment purposes. There is necessarily, under these circumstances, less money lying in the Banks awaiting investment, and consequently Deposits do not show up so well. Our Total Assets, however, are approximately the same as last year.

It is interesting to note by reference to the Comparative Statement which has been published each year, with our Annual Report, that a very similar condition existed in 1907, the year of the last financial stringency. In that year also, our deposits showed a slight falling off compared with 1906, but they recovered quickly and showed a marked increase each succeeding year, up to the present time.

It may not be out of place at this time to review briefly what this Bank has accomplished since its inception, eight years ago.

It was organized in 1905, and began business in November of that year. It paid a dividend of 5 per cent to its shareholders in 1907 and each subsequent year up to July, 1911, and a dividend of 6 per cent from that date. It has accumulated a Rest Account of $350,000 all out of profits, and has paid the Northern Bank Shareholders a stock bonus of $146,000 under the Amalgamation Agreement between the Northern and Crown Banks, in addition to the regular dividend. Its earnings this year are $116,000 over and above the Dividend.

We have to record with the deepest regret the death of Mr. W. C. Leistikow. His place on the Board has been taken by Mr. John Stovel.

Mr. F. Nation, who is at present residing in Victoria, B. C., has resigned from the Board of Directors, owing to his inability to attend the Board Meetings. His place on the Board has been taken by Mr. A. McTavish Campbell.

Owing to pressure of public affairs, Sir R. P. Roblin has for some time been desirous of giving up his position on the Board to someone who can devote more time to the Bank's business. The Board of Directors have at last reluctantly consented to relieve him of his duties, and have accepted his resignation. Mr. W. J. Christie has taken his place on the Board.

While regretting the circumstances that made it necessary for Sir R. P. Roblin and Mr. F. Nation to resign, we feel that the Bank is to be congratulated upon the new Directors it has secured in Messrs. Christie, Campbell and Stovel. All of these gentlemen occupy high positions in the business community, and being residents of Winnipeg, are in a position to give the affairs of the Bank their close attention.

The Board, as now constituted, is a working Board, composed of business men who have made good in the West, and I think the shareholders may feel perfectly safe in leaving the affairs of the Bank in such good hands.

During the year five Branches have been closed and five have been opened. It is not always possible to estimate how a district may turn out from a banking standpoint, before giving it a trial. It has not been necessary, I am glad to say, to close many Branches since we began business, but when it is found that a Branch is not making much headway, we think it wiser to start somewhere else where business is better. The Branches closed were: Aylmer, Que.; Irricana, Alta.; Lumby, B. C.; Papineauville, Que.; Peachland, B. C., and the Branches opened were: Aneroid, Sask.; Borden, Sask.; Cadillac, Sask.; Lancer, Sask.; Prelate, Sask.

During the year the decennial revision of the Bank Act took place. Amongst the most important changes, as far as we are concerned, are:

The establishment of the Central Gold Reserves,

Authority to lend to farmers on their threshed grain,

The appointment of an outside Auditor, and

The elimination of Local Directors.

Under the provisions of the New Act, a Bank may continue to issue its own Notes by depositing dollar for dollar in the Gold Reserves, after it has reached the limit of its authorized Circulation, and has exhausted the emergency circulation of 15 per cent of its combined Capital and Reserve, which is available during the crop moving season, between the 1st September and the 1st March.

The existence of the Gold Reserves has been a great convenience to this Bank during the crop movement. It had on the 29th November $750,000 in the Gold Reserves, and its Note Circulation at one time reached the considerable sum of $3,500,000.

The provision in the Act which enables a Bank to lend to a farmer on the security of his threshed grain is also new, and has been availed of by us to quite a large extent. We still, however, regard this class of loan in the light of a moral risk, and we continue to depend more upon the character of the borrower than upon the security.

The independent audit is another innovation, which will doubtless work out on the whole both in the interests of the Banks and of the Public. You will be called upon today to elect an Auditor for the coming year, and fix his remuneration.

In the new Act the power of a Bank to appoint Local Directors has been taken away. We are, therefore, unable to re-elect the gentlemen who have up to the present time represented the Bank in this capacity in Toronto and elsewhere. We hope, however, still to retain their influence and friendship.

The other changes are unimportant, and do not affect us to any appreciable extent.

In the Prairie Provinces there is quite a noticeable movement taking place in the direction of mixed farming, which is much to be commended. We are endeavoring to do our share in encouraging this movement by making advances to farmers for the purchases of cattle, sheep and hogs, and we are pleased to say that the statements of affairs that are submitted to us, by farmers, show assets of this class much oftener than formerly.

The fine weather which prevailed during the late Autumn months enabled our farmers to do a considerably larger proportion of their ploughing in the Fall and it is not unreasonable to expect that the acreage under crop next season will be largely increased.

The crop this season was of the finest quality, and will probably turn out, when all returns are in, to be the largest in the history of the country. There was little or no damage from any cause, apart from some losses by hail. It was harvested cheaply and quickly, the only unfavorable feature being that the price was low.

The returns came at an opportune time, when money in the West was scarce, and helped out the local situation.

The West made good as far as the crop was concerned, and as the crop is really what we all depend upon, I think it may be said that it met its obligations as far as it could be expected to do so.

In Ontario, where the Bank has twenty-five Branches, crops have been up to the average, and our business has been quite satisfactory.

In British Columbia our business continues to be good, as it has been from the first.

The total results of the year's business may be regarded as satisfactory.

In view of the financial situation outside of our own country, the Bank will continue to pursue a conservative policy, and will not allow a desire for large profits to tempt it into too rapid expansion. It must be remembered that this country, being new and in the course of development, cannot finance itself upon what it produces at present, and that it must obtain money from abroad until it is on a self-supporting basis; also that temporary checks must inevitably occur from time to time in the supply of money from abroad, which will mean a scarcity of money here.

Personally, I am quite satisfied with our progress up to date, and I see every reason to expect that we shall continue to progress at the same rate.

I move that the report now read be adopted and printed for publication.

In seconding the adoption of the report, Mr. J. H. Ashdown said: "Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,—I regret that Capt. Robinson, the Vice-President of the Bank, is not present with us today. He is in the West and could not get here in time.

"The report which has been read by the President is full and covers the ground thoroughly. I do not know that it is necessary to add anything to it. However, I think the Bank is to be congratulated upon holding the position it has during the past year. If the Board had not been so conservative, the profits might have been larger, but in that case we would not have held such large reserves.

"My opinion is that it was well to be on the safe side. As the Bank is young and the capital comparatively small, it was well to be prepared to meet any emergency which might have occurred if the crop which has now been garnered had not come off in the shape it did. If the season had not been so favorable, the situation would have been different, and the wisdom of holding a large reserve would have been seen. Circumstances have turned out such that, if we had foreseen, we might have done better.

"The Bank is to be congratulated upon its known strength in the markets of New York, Toronto and Montreal, where it is important that its position should be well known, and the report is in my mind satisfactory in all respects.

"I have much pleasure in seconding the adoption of the report."

Dr. Hutchinson then said: "As a shareholder, I think I voice the sentiments of the Shareholders present, when I say that the statement is absolutely satisfactory in every way to the Shareholders, and personally I feel that the Directors should be congratulated upon the strength of the statement, especially our General Manager, Mr. Campbell. It looks satisfactory in every way."

It was then moved by Mr. Kenneth MacKenzie, seconded by Mr. A. B. Ellis: The Northern Crown Bank at its Annual Meeting of Shareholders, held on the 17th day of December, 1913, hereby enacts as follows: That the number of shares to qualify a shareholder for election on the Board of Directors be increased from Thirty Shares to a sufficient number of Shares to qualify him for election under Section 29 of the Bank Act, and that By-law No. 1, as amended by the Shareholders on the 9th February, 1910, be amended accordingly by striking out the words, "At least thirty" in the fourth line thereof, and substituting the words, "A sufficient number of," and by inserting the words, "To qualify him for election under Section 29 of the Bank Act," after the word, "Bank" in the fifth line thereof.

It was then moved by Mr. Nicholas Bawlf, seconded by Dr. J. W. Hutchison, that Mr. Douglas Dewar, of Messrs. Marwick, Mitchell, Peat & Co., be appointed Auditor of the Bank for the ensuing year, under Section 65 of the Bank Act, and that his remuneration shall not exceed $3,000.

It was then moved by Mr. S. S. Cummins, seconded by Mr. W. W. Evans, That the thanks of the Shareholders be tendered to the President, Directors, General Manager and Staff. To this motion the President made a suitable reply.

It was then moved by Mr. W. A. Anderson, seconded by Mr. F. Steele, that the annual election of Directors be now proceeded with.

The election of Directors for the ensuing year was then proceeded with, resulting in the following gentlemen being elected: J. H. Ashdown, Hon. D. C. Cameron, A. McT. Campbell, H. T. Champion, W. J. Christie, Sir D. H. McMillan, Capt. Wm. Robinson, John Stovel.

Mr. John Stovel, being called upon by those present, said: Mr. President and Gentlemen,—I do not know that I can say anything other than this, that I thank you for the confidence you have placed in me in putting me on the Board. When I was approached by the President and Vice-President to allow my name to appear on this Board, I did so somewhat reluctantly and yet with pleasure. I have always taken an interest in the Northern Crown Bank, because it is a home institution. I am strongly in favor of supporting our own institutions, and my life has been spent in helping to build up these institutions and the City of Winnipeg. I still feel disposed to spend the rest of my life in that endeavor.

At a subsequent meeting of the Board of Directors, Sir D. H. McMillan was re-elected President and Capt. Wm. Robinson Vice-President.

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ACCOUNTANT, having spare time, would take charge of merchant's or tradesman's books at moderate charge. Box C, Colonist.

ART Glass—A. F. Roy, over thirty years' experience in art glass, leaded lights re-... has built more extensive works and studio corner Dunedin and Sumas Sts., back of Douglas St. Prohalt premises. Phone 594.

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B. C. Association of Gas Engineers. For competent men ring up the secretary, Phone 2340R.

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BLUE Printing—Electric Blue Print and Map Co., 1004 Central Building, View St., blue printing, maps, draughting, designers in surveyors' instruments and drawing office supplies. Phone 1534.

CARPENTERS and Builders—Jobbing and repairing, any class of work, fences, garages, etc., houses a specialty, estimates free. Lewis & Williams, Phone 9201.

CHINESE Employment Agency and Labor Contractor, Tai Kee Co., 619 Fisguard St., Victoria, B. C. Phone 2862.

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CHIMNEY Sweep—Lloyd, phone 2188L1, fourteen years' experience in Victoria.

CHIMNEYS and flues cleaned. Smith & Stott, 1822 Government St. Phone 2630.

COAL—Hall & Walker, Wellington Collieries coal; Comox anthracite coal; blacksmiths' coal a specialty. Office 103-9 Hibben-Bone Bldg.; phone 927.

ARCHITECT—H. S. Griffiths, 1005 Government st.; phone 1489.

ARCHITECT—C. Elwood Watkins, Rooms 1 and 2 Green Blk., corner Trounce Ave. and Broad, phone 2185; residence phone 1298L.

B. C. Land Surveyor—H. M. T. Hodgson, B.A.Sc. Mem. Inst. of Civil Engineers. Office, Carmen Blk., Pandora st.; phone 81.

CIVIL Engineers—Gore & McGregor, Ltd., civil engineers, British Columbia land surveyors, land agents, timber cruisers. Chancery Chambers, Langley St.

CIVIL Engineers—Green Bros., Burden & Co., civil engineers, Dominion and B.C. land surveyors, 114 Pemberton Blk., branch offices in Nelson, Fort George and Hazelton, B. C.

CIVIL Engineers—Canavan & Mitchell, offices 227-8 Pemberton Blk.; phone 1399; P. O. Box 39. Surveys, plans and reports, irrigation and drainage, hydro-electric development, water works, sewerage and sewage disposal, designs.

CIVIL Engineer—Clarence Hoard, Member Can. soc. C. E., Member Am. Water Engr. Association, steam, electric, logging, railways, engineering and construction. Office 401 Pemberton Bldg.; phone 2091; residence Empress Hotel; phone 1030.

CIVIL Engineer—George A. Smith, British Columbia land surveyor. Office at Alberni, B. C.

DENTIST—W. F. Fraser, D. M. D. Office 732 Yates St., Garesche Blk. Office hours: 9:30 a. m. to 5 p. m.

MASSAGE—Medical, electrical and vapor baths; Nurse Inspen from the Royal Institute, Derby, England. 1117, 118 Hibben-Bone Blk. Phone 2652.

MECHANICAL and Electrical Engineers, consultants, installation and repair work. Turner & Gunnison, Works, 950 Johnson St. Phone 2779.

PUBLIC stenographers. 320 Pemberton Blk.; phone 2502.

PRIVATE medical and maternity home; competent nurses for all cases. Q. C. H. C. M. B. certificates. terms moderate. 1038 View St.; phone 4830L.

SURVEYORS—Swannell & Noakes, Dominion and B. C. land surveyors, civil engineers, Pemberton Blk., 1006 Government St.; P. O. Box 542; phone 1175.

VERNON Preparatory School, Okanagan Valley, boys 7 to 13. Thorough education. English lines, ideal position, Cold-stream estate, climate unrivaled, matron trained nurse. Next term starts Jan. 20. Prospectus, Reverend A. C. Mackie, B.D., M.A. (Cantab), headmaster.

TUITION

ENGINEERS coached for examination by F. W. J. Winterburn, Victoria, B. C., Barton St.

SURVEYORS' Examination—M. Brotherton, B.C.L.S., will coach all subjects, also preliminary. Phone 4397R.

WANTED—Private tuition in elocution and French. Apply Box 1884, Colonist.

MUSIC

HERR Wilhelm Pefers, practical piano maker and tuner. Phone 1604.

OSCAR Geidschmidt, late conductor Royal Opera, Cassel (Germany), Voice culture, pianoforte theory. Class singing Thursdays, 8 p.m. Studio, 745 Yates St. Phones 3504 and 1307L.

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SINGING—R. Hamilton Earle, late of the Royal Opera, Covent Garden, will be in Victoria on Thursday of each week and will take a limited number of pupils in singing. Apply to Fletcher Bros., music department, 1231 Government st. for appointments.

VICTORIA Conservatory of Music, 745 Yates St. Musical director, Oscar Goidschmidt. Prospectus on application. Class singing lessons, Mondays and Thursdays, 5 p. m. to 10 p. m. Phone 3504.

LODGES AND SOCIETIES

ANCIENT Order of Foresters, Court Northern Light, No. 5235, meets at Foresters' Hall, Broad St., second and fourth Wednesdays. W. F. Fullerton, secretary.

SONS of England, B. S. Pride of the Island Lodge, No. 134, meets second and fourth Tuesdays in A. O. F. Hall, Broad St. President, J. Fletcher; secretary, W. H. Trowesdale, 520 Williams St., city.

SONS of England, B. S., Alexandra Lodge, No. 116, meets first and third Wednesdays, Oriental Hall, Courtney St. C. Heller, 1137 Johnson St., president; Jas. P. Temple, 1058 Burdette St., secretary.

THE Ancient Order of Foresters, Court Pacific, No. 7118, meets at Foresters' Hall, Broad St., first and third Tuesdays. T. W. Hawkins, secretary.

VETERINARY COLLEGE

VICTORIA Canine and Feline Hospital, 1307 Government st. Dogs and cats boarded. Dr. Chas. Richards, D. V. S., canine specialist; phone 4767.

HOTELS

HOTEL Dunsmuir—Vancouver, B. C., the British Columbia's largest and best hotel, 800 rooms, 100 with bath, long distance telephones, not and cold running water and steam heat in every room; new electric auto bus free. First-class cafe in connection. Rates $1 per day and up. A. J. Lister, Manager. (The hotel with a reputation.)

HELP WANTED—MALE

KISMET—Fifty men and boys wanted at the New Victoria Theatre, Broughton and Blanchard streets, at 3 o'clock this afternoon. See the show and make money.

TWO good boys wanted to carry The Colonist in the mornings. Industrious boys can pay their way through school by a little extra work before school hours. Apply at once at The Colonist Circulation Department.

WANTED—Wholesale grocery representative for Victoria. Apply by letter to A. Macdonald & Co., Vancouver.

WANTED—A man with experience in gardening and fruit farming; must have good references; married man preferred. Apply to Box X. Y., Colonist.

WANTED—Man and wife to live in, as general help for house and garden and as cook, $50 a month. Apply Box 1851, Colonist.

WANTED—Office boy. Apply Room 202 Pemberton Bldg.

WANTED—Men and women to learn the barber trade; wages paid while learning; $15 to $25 per week when qualified; we issue the only recognized diplomas in the world; learn a trade and be independent; the most complete college in the West. Call or write for free catalogue. Moler Barber College, 535A Johnson St.

WANTED—Five hundred men and boys to get their haircut to 25 shaves. Moler Barber College, 535A Johnson St.

YOUNG man wanted for outside work in country store; must understand horses; wages $25 a month and board. Apply B. & B. Supply Co., Cobble Hill, B. C.

$3,000-$10,000 yearly easily made. Our system insures success. Unparalleled opportunity; become established for life. Valuable book free. Interstate Reality Co., Pittsburg, Pa.

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AT Once—Splendid positions waiting for generals, parlormaids, waitresses, cooks. Red Cross Agency, 1911 Government St.

DOMESTICATED woman to take charge of family of 2 adults (on ranch); state experience, wages, age etc. Box 1829, Colonist.

GIRL, about 16, to look after 3-year-old boy; $20 per month. Box 1702, Colonist.

LADIES, don't worry about help, telephone 4257. The Red Cross Agency, who can supply you with experienced help; we have them waiting.

WANTED—Young girl for light housework, morning. Apply 3171 Burdette Ave., between 10:30 and 11:30 a.m.

WANTED—General servant for small family in the country; good wages. Apply 1423 S. Hampshire Rd., Oak Bay.

WANTED—A good cook general at once, 4 in family, $30; a smart girl as housemaid and parlor maid, $25 a month; also a young girl to take two children out in the afternoons, $10; also a cook for Nanaimo, good wages. Apply Ladies' Agency, 426 Sayward Bldg.

WANTED—A girl to do housework and light cooking for family of two. Apply Box 1878, Colonist.

SITUATION WANTED—MALE

ANYONE needing services of reliable man, capable, please communicate with Box 1796, Colonist.

GOOD knob and tube man wants work; will take small wages to learn more about the business. Box 1835, Colonist.

JAPANESE chauffeur wants job in private house. Phone 2868.

YOUNG Japanese, sober, wants job at housework. Phone 2788.

SITUATION WANTED—FEMALE

A HOUSEKEEPER or companion help in small family, thoroughly experienced; take all duties. Ladies' Agency, 426 Sayward Bldg.

A WOMAN wants work by day. Address Box 1765, Colonist.

ALTERING, repairing and plain sewing, 1010 Quadra St.

AT the Ladies' Educational, Domestic, and Business Agency, all kinds of help supplied, governesses, stenographers, housekeepers, nurses, lady's helps and domestics; businesses, rooming and boarding houses transferred; partnerships arranged; flats, rooms, furnished or unfurnished. Mrs. A. Clark, Mrs. Goancil and Mrs. M. Gosnell, 426 Sayward Bldg. Phone 2480.

ENGLISH trained nurse, would like position as housekeeper to elderly lady or gentleman; nurse companion highly and thoroughly experienced. Box 1870, Colonist.

ENGLISH Bull terrier, 4 weeks old, pedigree. Apply 549 View St., or 920 Yates St.

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TRAINED maternity nurse open to engagement. Apply morning and evening. Phone 4928R.

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PROPERTY FOR SALE

A GIFT—Half acre lot on a corner, very high and good view, half-mile to car; $450 on terms. Clarke Realty Co., 721 Yates St. Phone 471.

AT About Half Price—For $1,100 owner will sacrifice, and give clear title to large lot, 50x124, with frontage on two streets, 50 feet on Todd Road, and 50 feet on Hamiota Street, very close to street car. Write P. O. Box 877, or telephone 4743.

A BARGAIN in 2 high, level, building lots, Howe st., near Dallas; $500 below market; $2,250 each; easy terms. Coast Builders & Brokers, 306 Union Bank.

A FINE, clear level lot, 50x150, just off Finlayson, near Quadra, $975. Coast Builders Brokers, 306 Union Bank.

FOR Sale—On Inez Ave., Kerr Addition, a fine high, clear level lot, 50x150. Price $1,350. Apply Box A. L., Colonist.

MONEY in this for someone. 33 ft. lot opposite Woodwards Block. Moss St., sacrifice price, $1,250, cash, $450, balance easy. Apply P. O. Box 1060.

SNAP—Cook St. Owner will sell corner lot, 40x116, at a sacrifice; within 1¼ mile circle near Finlayson Ave. Price $900 if good cash payment. This is $300 below value. Phone 3242. Good for this week only.

PROPERTY FOR SALE (Continued)

VALUABLE corner property close to Esquimalt Road producing $49 monthly, to exchange for acreage, lots or prairie farm. Box 54 Beaumont, phone 2298R.

WALNUT St.—Nice lot, $800; $250 cash. Clarke Realty Co., 721 Yates St. Phone 471.

PROPERTY WANTED

OWNERS of improved and unimproved properties anywhere are urged to communicate with us at once. We must have at least 1,000 new listings for our Eastern and Old Country clients before February 1. Best prices secured for choice properties. Write today, Clarkson, Dept. 901, Lindsay Bldg., Winnipeg.

WANTED—Good large lot or part lots, in Craigdarroch or Rockland part Fairfield; will pay cash. Full particulars to P. O. Box 1479.

WANTED—From owners, lot in James Bay, between Oswego and Montreal sts., state price and particulars. Apply P. O. Box 1126.

ACREAGE FOR SALE

A GIFT—Half-acre lot on a corner, very high and a good view, half mile to car; $450 on terms. Clarke Realty Co., 721 Yates St. Phone 471.

ACREAGE for Sale—On the 8-mile circle, 4.100 acres lying between the Elk Lake station on the V. & S. and Prospect Lake station on the B. C. Electric, only a few minutes' walk from this property to the above stations; good soil, with excellent view of Prospect Lake; land is subdivided on two sides of this property; if equity be paid for cash, five years may be arranged on the balance; price, $400 per acre. Apply to owners, 1316 Woodlands Rd., city.

ACREAGE—Thetis Island, near Chemainus, 50 acres waterfront, new 8-roomed house, 5 acres cleared or would subdivide. Lawrence, Thetis Island, Chemainus.

ACREAGE, Metchosin District—160 acres at $40 per acre, 100 acres, $60 per acre; 100 acres, $80 per acre; 160 acres, $80 per acre, some improvements; 500 acres, $125 per acre, with large improvements; 160 acres, $150 per acre, some improvements: 100 acres, $200 per acre, improvements; 100 acres, $300 per acre, very choice; 45 acres, $300 per acre, large improvements; 35 acres, $185 per acre, improvements; 7½ acres, $900 per acre; some choice 5 and 10-acre lots, $300 to $500 per acre. A. Cosh, Happy Valley, Victoria, B. C.

ACREAGE Snap—3 1-3 acres very choice land and location, fronting on three roads, about half cleared; owner forced to sacrifice, account sickness; price $1,400, small cash payment. Also 45 acres on Happy Valley Rd. at $190 per acre, running water. We have several bargains in land, both improved and unimproved. Benson Land Co., Ltd., 421 Pemberton Bldg.; phone 221.

THREE-QUARTER mile from Cowichan Station, 14.1-3 acres, one acre slashed, one side fenced, small timber; price, $2,000, easy terms. Four acres and house, close to Cowood Station; price $3,250, easy terms. Happy Valley, 40 acres of fine land; price $425, easy terms. Close to Colwood, 5 acres. This is a good buy at $400 per acre, good terms. Lowe & Duncuft Realty, 1242 Government St. Phone 2259. Alfred Taylor.

10 acres of land on the Main East Saanich Road, centrally located and half cleared, close to R. F. D. and telephone, choice small Harbor. (This is good). For cash and terms, apply Shaw Real Estate Co., 302 Pemberton Blk.

95 acres in full cultivation, on Saanich, 5-electric and main road, ideal dairy farm, only $445 an acre. Trevor Foote, 608 Belmont House.

4½ acres near Elk Lake, few hundred yards from V. & S. station, all cleared, free from rock, lightly timbered, good cedar posts; only $475 per acre. Shaw Real Estate Co., 302 Pemberton Bldg.

5 AND 5-acre blocks, on main Rd., at $100 per acre; $100 cash, balance $10 per month. Will land, $15 per acre; partly improved, $25 per acre. Cooke Realty Co., Milne's Landing P.O., Sooke, B.C.

HOUSES FOR SALE

A GIFT—Half-acre lot on a corner, very high and good view, half-mile to car; $450 on terms. Clarke Realty Co., 721 Yates St. Phone 471.

$3,000-$10,000 yearly easily made. Our system insures success. Unparalleled opportunity; become established for life. Valuable book free. Interstate Reality Co., Pittsburg, Pa.

A FAIRFIELD Snap—I will sell my beautiful 7-roomed house on Hartinger Ave., at a snap price if sold before Christmas. All large, well-lighted rooms, cement basement, furnace, fireplace, etc. Very small cash payment from the right party. Phone R4983.

AN Ideal Home—Entrance hall, bath, toilet, pantry and five beautifully finished large rooms, expensive electric fixtures, open fireplaces, concrete basement, walks; lot fenced and graded; block from Oak Bay Ave., classy district; worth $5,500, sacrificed at once at $4,750; terms. Coast Builders & Brokers, 306 Union Bank.

A HOME at price of lot only, five-roomed bungalow within mile circle, near car; large lot, $2,150, usual terms. Coast Builders & Brokers, 306 Union Bank Bldg.

A BEAUTIFUL corner home, five large rooms, most modern fixtures and built-in arrangements, superior workmanship best in Hollywood, block from car, view of sea; price $7,000, $1,500 for immediate sale, easiest possible terms. Coast Builders & Brokers, 306 Union Bank Bldg.

A 7-ROOMED modern home on full-sized lot, well in the high part of Fairfield; must sell, and will accept $4,000 for it; terms and particulars on application; no agents. Box 1716, Colonist.

A PALATIAL Home—Ten rooms, oak floors, three large fireplaces, beamed ceiling in three rooms, buffet, panelled walls, billiard room in basement, hot water heated, large corner lot, excellent view; near car and sea; price $10,000; $2,000 cash, balance arranged. Coast Builders & Brokers, 306 Union Bank Bldg.

A MODERN home, just completed, eight large rooms, fireplaces, furnace, electric fixtures, cement basement and walks, fenced and graded; $5,800, over five years. Coast Builders & Brokers, 306 Union Bank Bldg.

A CHOICE of two new homes, 6 rooms, $5,500; 5 rooms, $4,500; close to sea and car, exceptionally well fitted and finished. Owner, Phone 5258L.

A FIVE-ROOMED bungalow on car line to rent, $20 per month, or for sale at $3,600, easy terms. Coast Builders & Brokers, 306 Union Bank Bldg.

A GOOD way to get a fully modern home of 4 rooms just the way you want it for $2,700 on good terms. Have 4 good lots on Bank st. upon which I am building two modern bungalows, and will sell them for the above price; so if anyone wants a little place to suit them, call and see me and you can arrange the rooms to suit yourself; five rooms for $3,500; Bank st., between Oak Bay and Fort st. cars. Phone 4902R.

A $25 payment buys new four-roomed house on Inlet Ave., off Gorge, near waterfront, balance $25 monthly, including interest; price $2,000. Apply at house.

CHARMING 4-roomed bungalow, with artistic built-in furniture, in ideal residential position, cheap for immediate sale. Box 54 Beaumont; phone 2298R.

FOR Sale—New 7-roomed house, 1444 Fern St., $4,800; $200 cash; $25 month. Also 7-roomed house, 1442 Fern St., just off Cook St., $4,500; $200 cash, $25 month. Apply Stevens, 1733 North Park St.

FOR Sale—Small cottage, ¾-mile circle, full lot; must sell. What offers? Apply owner, 2548 Prior St.

FOR Sale—New 5-room bungalow modern, built-in kitchen, basement, nice, beamed ceilings, fireplace, in best part Fairfield, ten minutes' walk from Post Office; price $4,800, easy terms. Address owner, P. O. Box 1479.

FOR Sale—Bargain, below cost, new modern, 5-roomed bungalow, close to car; $200 cash, balance as rent. Apply Fulton, 1224 Pemberton Block.

FOR Sale—Beautiful home with or without furniture, 1536 N. Hampshire and Oak Bay.

HOUSES—Four rooms, new, modern, 1¼-mile circle, close to car; only $200 cash, balance as rent. Price $6,700. Macgregor, 207 Central Bldg.

HOUSE and two large lots close to H. C. E. Ry., with fine orchard to be given away for $2,500; $500 cash, balance monthly new B. Duce, 1114 Douglas st., Balmoral blk.; phones 2508 and 294.

MUST be sold this week; $2,000 below market value, 7 rooms, North Hampshire Road. Price only $4,500. Shaw Real Estate Co., 302 Pemberton Bldg.

OAK Bay—Very attractive new 5-roomed bungalow, every modern convenience, two large open fireplaces, paneled rooms, very cosy, two minutes from car line, owner will sacrifice for $4,300; cash $750, balance as rent. Apply Bradford, 206 Union Bank Bldg. Phone 4485.

SEE this Fairfield bargain; beautiful, new, 7-roomed residence, uninterrupted sea view, choice situation; Upper Rushby st., near Dallas; very low price, 59 Moss st.

HOUSES FOR SALE (Continued)

SACRIFICE, beautiful 4-roomed bungalow, large lot with all the furniture, close car; price only $4,000; cash $350, balance $25, including interest. 1916 Duchess St.

VICTORIA WEST—A new modern 6-room house, just outside city limits, yet has all city advantages. Sewer, light and city two blocks from car, lot 50x 120; $500 cash will handle it; price only $4,000. Apply Colonist Box 1806.

VICTORIA, B. C., Oak Bay district, close to sea and carline, beautiful sheltered situation, two-story 10-room bungalow with large sleeping porch, large dining room and drawing room with buffet, den and hall all beamed ceilings, antique oak finish throughout, two fireplaces; kitchen, pantry, etc., and two bathrooms, electric fixtures, full cement basement with furnace piped to all rooms; grounds 121x120, large lawn with oak and ornamental trees, garden well laid out, cement sidewalk, sewer, city light, phone, water, etc. This is a new house and one of the best homes in the district and will be sold very reasonably. Price, terms, plans and photos supplied on applying to owner, P. O. Box 575, city.

YALE St., Oak Bay, A1 6-room modern bungalow, built-in with fireplace, rent $25; will sell on terms or exchange or sell on easy terms. Currie & Power.

$5,250—$750 cash, buys fine large bungalow on Walton St., Fairfield, close to car and sea. Full particulars from owner, phone 2279.

140 Wellington Ave. up-to-date, fully modern eight-roomed house, with all the latest built-in features; if you are looking for a house, see this before buying; price $6,500; $1,000 cash, balance to arrange. Phone 4857R.

HOUSES WANTED

HAVE buyers waiting for small houses and shacks; call and see you in a few days; send full particulars, size of lot; owners only. Tickle, 734 Fort St.

WANTED to purchase in good residential district, Foul, Shoal or Oak Bays, near sea, small cottage, detached house and lot; must be practically new and modern; might consider cash for rest bargain if vendor will take one or twelve months. Photograph must accompany replies. Box 1841, Colonist.

WANTED—Small house, Douglas north or Burnside; can make good cash payment; must be a good buy. Box 1756, Colonist.

FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS

A SNAP—Indian motorcycle, single cylinder, for quick sale, $60. Box 1477 Colonist.

AUTOMOBILE—Client, going abroad, desires to dispose of his 1913 Chalmers car, in first-class condition; bargain for cash. Particulars apply Island Investment Co., Ltd., 627 Fort St.

A FIVE-PASSENGER Hudson car for sale at a bargain, practically new. Particulars, 312 Sayward Blk.

BOY'S bicycle for sale, 28, a snap. No. 7 Lee Apartments, Mansions after 6.

CHILD'S dinner service, 26 pieces, make dandy Christmas gift; bought in Paris, France. Box 1701, Colonist.

CHRISTMAS Liqueurs—$1.50 bottle will make one gallon of delicious after-dinner Liqueurs (equals Curacao) in gin or brandy; guaranteed pure; try it. Phone 3093R.

CHRISTMAS trees, large quantity for sale; assorted sizes from 3 to 6 ft.; price $1 dozen. W. A. Bull, 1015 Russel St., Victoria West.

FIREWOOD—Save trouble and vexation this Christmas, buy a load of dry kindling, chopped fine, your fires started till Wednesday without trouble. Phone 2922L.

FOR Sale—Lady's seal coat, 48 inches long, 42-inch bust, perfect condition. Mrs. Bellows, Room 820, Hotel King, second and Virginia, Seattle.

FOR SALE—One pair boy's hockey boots with skates attached, both in good condition; price $2. Apply 1524 Hulton St.

FURNITURE of 4-room flat, cost $350 two months ago, nothing wanted, for $200 immediate sale. This is an absolute bargain. The well-appointed flat can be taken over at a monthly rental of $40. Apply Flat B, Parkway Apartments, corner Cook and Pandora.

FORD delivery, good working condition, $450. Box 1844, Colonist.

FOR Sale—Seven volumes of the History of Rome, by Gibbons, 32 volumes of Universal Encyclopaedia, 10 volumes Chambers's History of England and miscellaneous works; also the French Revolution, 3 volumes, by Carlyle. Apply 2408 Rock Bay Ave.

FOR Sale—Furniture of a 5-room house, everything complete, including piano; must be sold at once; $70 rent at $24 per month. 841 Johnson St.

FIRST-CLASS motorcycle, Excelsior, 7 h. p., twin, 1912, for sale cheap. Call 2016 Blackwood Ave., between 5:30 and 7 p.m.

FOR Sale—Two pool tables, complete, cheap. Apply Box 1504, Colonist.

FOR Sale—Eight-suite apartment block, Fairfield. Price $12,500. Owner going East, would accept $1,500, balance arranged. P. O. Box 1447.

GOOD cook stove, chairs, table, linoleum. Call 1637 Hulton St.

HAVE to dispose of my $500 Upright Grand piano at a sacrifice; leaving country. What offers. Box 1628, Colonist.

LADIES' Coats—A few traveler's samples left. Call 540, private house, 708 Princess, two doors from Douglas.

LAUNCH for Sale—A hunting cabin launch, 20 ft. long, 7¼ ft. beam, fully equipped, 10 h. p. "Regal" engine; in good condition. Apply for full particulars, Apply P. O. Box 830, Victoria, B. C. Mark envelope, "Sale of Launch."

MOTOR truck, 5-ton Aleo, with dump body; also rollers for lumber, $4,750; cost $7,000. Also 1912 Cadillac, $1,250. E. J. Cameron, 1012 Yates St.

MALLEABLE STEEL RANGES—$1 down and $1 per week; old stoves bought in exchange. 2091 Government st.

NEW 7-roomed house for sale, 1844 Fern St., $4,800; $200 cash, $25 month; also 7-roomed house Bay St., just off Cook, $4,500; $200 cash, $25 month. Apply Stevens, 1733 North Park St.

RANGE STOVE, cheap, 1028 Fort.

STOVE range, very cheap, 1028 Fort.

TWO pool tables for sale cheap for cash. Apply W. Bowcott, Sidney.

TWO hotel men, furnishings of 34 rooms and electric signs, all in good condition, to be sold separately or en bloc; no reasonable offer refused. Apply 715 Yates Street.

WOOD—Order a double load of our dry cordwood in 12 in. blocks and cook with comfort, $7; 50 cents extra if put in. Fleming Bros., 27 Cook. F. Oak & Co., Phone 1847L2 and 2948.

1913 Chalmers, run only a few months; cost $2,800, owner is forced to sell for $1,500. 1912 Ford, in splendid order, 5-passenger, in perfect order; price $375. 1912 Mitchell, in splendid order, cheap for cash. Overland in perfect condition, $525. Cameron, 521 Superior St.; phone 1074.

WANTED—MISCELLANEOUS

WANTED—A second-hand 4 to 6 h. p. gasoline engine in good order; also a pump, cheap. Box 1781, Colonist.

WANTED Fixtures—The Sir J. A. Athlone Lodge, I. O. O. F., requires fixtures for the remainder of the season. Wrife Secretary C. H. Venning, care the above address.

WANTED—Bicycle, gent's, strong, British make; state full particulars, price, etc. Box 1825, Colonist.

WANTED—Three first mortgage sums of $300 to $400. Apply C. F., P. O. Box 886.

WANTED—Ford touring and Ford roadster; will pay cash. Cameron, 521 Superior. Phone 1074.

WANTED—All kinds of junk, tools and machinery. It will pay you to call up Great Western Junk Co. Phone 4834; 1421 Store St.

WANTED—Auto as first payment on house, or in exchange for lot. Box 54, Beaumont.

100 to 2 in. galvanized or wood pipes; price and condition to D. Sanderson, Mines Landing, B. C.

MISCELLANEOUS

FANCY dress costumes. The Parisian costumiers of Vancouver, B. C., announce that they have opened a branch in the Strathcona Hotel, Room 126, First Floor. Costumes for sale and for hire for masquerades, fancy dress balls, ice carnivals, etc., at reasonable rates. Phone 4074.

FULL-DRESS SUITS for sale or rent. M. Stern, 802 Yates; phone 4810; upstairs.

MISCELLANEOUS (Continued)

NOTICE—Cobhanam Hall View St. This hall has been thoroughly renovated and new sitting out balcony installed. Hall can be rented for $15 per night, fully equipped with light and gas included. Apply Leeming Bros., Ltd., 574 Fort St.

PAINTERS, contractors and others. Note painters have no business agent, please phone 3565 Labor Hall, for any help.

SECOND-HAND Clothing — M. Stern will pay cash for ladies' or gentlemen's slightly worn clothing and articles of all kinds; will call in any part of city. 809 Yates; phone 4810.

HOUSEKEEPING ROOMS

BLOCK From City Hall—Newly furnished, heated housekeeping rooms, conveniences of one room and kitchenette. Phone Laundry, 1605 Blanchard.

BURDETTE House, furnished housekeeping rooms, steam-heat, every convenience. Phone 274. 951 Burdette Ave.

CENTRAL—One large furnished housekeeping room; quiet, adults only. $2.50 a week. 635 Princess Ave.

FURNISHED housekeeping rooms, 14 Menzies St.

FURNISHED housekeeping rooms in lady's house, Oak Bay, to let. Phone 1630L1.

FURNISHED housekeeping rooms, upper or ground floor; reasonable; 1126 Vancouver st.; close in.

FURNISHED housekeeping rooms, cosy and close in. The Boyd, 829 Pandora Avenue.

FURNISHED bed sitting-room and kitchen, $15. 815 Caledonia Ave.

FURNISHED bedrooms and housekeeping rooms, absolutely clean, homely, all conveniences, $2.50 up. 921 Fort, 1123 Fort and 1049 Pandora Ave.

FURNISHED housekeeping rooms, 1124 Johnson St.

FURNISHED housekeeping rooms, $6 per month up; all conveniences. 1036 Hillside Ave.

FURNISHED housekeeping room. 1125 Grant St., just off Cook.

FURNISHED housekeeping suites, $4 and up. 821 Simcoe st.; phone 2513L.

FURNISHED housekeeping rooms; use of piano. 1133 Pandora st.

HOUSEKEEPING rooms from $3 up at 725-729 Courtney St. William S. Brown.

HOUSEKEEPING suite to rent. Two rooms, kitchen, completely furnished, steam-heated, bath. Carlton, 711 Pandora.

HOUSEKEEPING rooms for rent. 920 Fort St., reasonable rent.

HOUSEKEEPING suite, 840 Courtney.

HOUSEKEEPING rooms and furnished rooms. Tourist Hotel, Broad and Johnson.

HOUSEKEEPING Rooms for rent, 920 Fort St., reasonable rent.

HOUSEKEEPING rooms, 822 Fort St.

JAMES Bay—Comfortably furnished housekeeping rooms, every convenience, Jesmond House, 517 Simcoe St.

LARGE housekeeping room, open fireplace, gas range, reasonable. 853 Simcoe.

NICELY furnished housekeeping rooms; Rd. Fountain; rent reasonable. 690 Gorge Rd. Phone 4807R.

ONE or two unfurnished rooms; very cheap, no other roomers. 1027 Fisguard.

TWO nice housekeeping rooms. 1131 Pandora Ave.

TWO furnished housekeeping rooms, two double beds, $4 week. 951 Yates.

TWO large rooms for housekeeping, cheap. 1566 Richmond St.

UNFURNISHED rooms. 1012 Vancouver.

FURNISHED ROOMS

A LARGE, comfortably furnished, front room, close in for business men, telephone, bath, etc., $3 for one; $4 for two. 2107 Blanchard.

A FURNISHED room with housekeeping privileges, suitable for business lady. Apply 1029 Fengersat St.

CLEAN, quiet furnished single bedroom, 1 minute from car. 1807 Quadra.

COMFORTABLE rooms to let, electric light, bath, few minutes from city hall. 736 Princess Ave.

FURNISHED room, modern, $1.50 weekly. 553 Simcoe St.

FURNISHED room for gentleman, heated, modern, new house, breakfast. 321 Michigan St.

FRONT bedroom, modern, quiet home; bath; business gentleman. 642 Toronto st.; inquire after 5 p.m.

FURNISHED suite rooms, 693 Belleville St., opposite Empress Hotel; baths and reading room; reasonable.

FRONT room, comfortable, warm, well-furnished, bath, suit two if desired; two minutes from car, corner 49 Arena; terms moderate. 1723 Davie St.

HOLLIES," 528 Michigan St., furnace heated housekeeping and bedrooms. Phone 4906R.

JAMES Bay—Furnished, bedrooms, hot and cold water in each, phone, Jesmond House, 507 Simcoe St.

LARGE front room, 1107 Blanchard.

NICE furnished rooms, hot and cold water, steam heat, centrally located; $2.50 and up. The Portland Rooms, 732 Yates.

NICELY furnished furnace-heated rooms with use of kitchen if desired. Phone 4428R. 1161 Princess Ave.

ROOMS furnished or unfurnished, heated with fire; 1610 Cameron St.

STEAM-HEATED furnished bedroom with bath and private phone. Apply janitor, Mt. Edwards Apts.

THE "Poplars," corner Belleville and Government Sts., from $1.75 a week up.

THE James Bay Hotel has accommodation for a few guests at inclusive Winter rates, ranging from $50 per month single, and $85 double; every modern convenience; French chef, excellent cuisine. Phone 2304.

THREE nicely furnished bedrooms, with fire; $5 per week. Phone 1298. Hot and cold water; bath connecting.

WANTED—FURNISHED ROOMS

YOUNG man wants room in private home, rent moderate. Box 1883, Colonist.

BUSINESS CHANCES

A GOOD, profit-producing cafe and tea room for sale, on best business street; splendid location; good reason for selling. Full particulars Box 1696, Colonist.

CLEANING and pressing shop for sale, cheap. Apply Yates St.

CLEANING and pressing business for sale, central location, 2 1-2 years lease, or will sell lease; room 18 by 24. Box 1668, Colonist.

EXTENSIVE milk route and dairy; must sell at once; $400 will handle. Apply 1788, Colonist.

I WILL give choice of six settlements for Canadian Home Investment Company Contracts. Advise me the amount you have paid. R. T. Packard, Bank of Ottawa Bldg., Vancouver, B. C.

PARTNERSHIP Motor Car, Launch, Boatbuilding firm, sound, clean, promising, well-established, ideally situated, easy terms, $300 to $4,000. Apply C. F., P. O. Box 886.

ROOMING house near Parliament Buildings, 13 rooms, fitted for housekeeping; rent $45; owner business gentleman, $500 will remain if desired and pay part rent. Apply to the Ladies' Agency, 426 Sayward Bldg.; phone 2486.

WANTED—Particulars of a profitable small business which would give employment to investor at an outlay of a few hundred dollars; stationery and newsagent preferred; any reasonable proposition considered. Box 1836, Colonist.

WHAT a Chance—1,719 acres, all fenced, huge barns and other buildings, 93 banks of small clear lake, 40 high-grade horses, mostly mares in breeding; 20 choice heifer cattle, 100 pigs; steam threshing and grinding outfit, 4 miles below station, land the finest in Alberta, goes at $30 per acre, $10,000 buys this elegant estate, near Claresholm. For further particulars see W. C. Bond, 734 Pemberton Bldg., Victoria.

$3,000-$10,000 yearly easily made; our system insures success; unparalleled opportunity; become established for life; valuable book free. Interstate Reality Co., Pittsburg, Pa.

FLATS OF APARTMENTS

APARTMENTS to Rent—Southgate St., 4 suite furnished, $35; unfurnished, $25. Apply Victoria Plumbing Co. 1052 Pandora Street.

A NICE, single, sunny apartment for rent, moderate rent. Owen Apartments, 421 Vancouver st.

A FURNISHED apartment in Bellevue Court, Bellevue St., Oak Bay, completely furnished, steam heat, telephone, etc., half block from Oak Bay car. Apply Oak Bay Agencies, Oak Bay terminus; phone 4654L1, or Hugh Pringle, Apartment 62, phone 2457R1.

A SUITE to Let; three large rooms, kitchen and bathroom, heat and water, one furnished. Mount Edwards, Vancouver st.

A FURNISHED flat in the newly furnished, modern Normandie Apartments. Phone 1788L.

APARTMENTS—One suite, Southgate St., apartments furnished; rent $40. Apply Victoria Plumbing Co., 1052 Pandora Ave.

FURNISHED suite of 3 rooms, reasonable. 797½ Yates St., Room 9. Phone 1.3190.

FOR Rent—Three-roomed modern, steam-heated apartment, furniture for sale; rent $40 per month; newly furnished suite, 6 Park Mansions, corner Nurse and Quadra.

FURNISHED small suite, 3-rooms unfurnished, modern, 10 minutes from post office, Morrison Apartments. Telephone 4985R.

FOR Rent—Modern apartments furnished, unfurnished; rent $25. 12 Boyd St.

FLATS—Furnished, unfurnished, $46 Simcoe; phone 2866R.

HOUSEKEEPING suite, furnished, two rooms, kitchenette and bathroom, opposite Beacon Hill Park; rent $20 month. Monteith & Co., Ltd., Government and Broughton Sts. Phone 1402.

MT. Douglas Apts—Partly and fully furnished, select, modern brick building, finest location in city, four car services close by, very moderate terms. Phone 2372R.

NICELY furnished 5-roomed flat, James Bay, $32, telephone. Box 1762, Colonist.

OLYMPIC Apartments, 1120 May Street, facing Beacon Hill Park, well furnished two-roomed flats for rent; price $30 per month. All modern conveniences. strictly first class.

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ROOM AND BOARD

A VERY comfortable home, partial board; private English families; bath; west-aspected sunny rooms; Fairfield and James Bay. Phone 1717R.

AT "St. Helen's," 828 Courtney St., superior board residence, very liberal table. English cooking, steam heated. Hot and cold baths, any hour of day or night; very central. Terms moderate. Phone 4252.

A LARGE comfortable front room, superior board. 59 Menzies St., James Bay.

BOARD and room, double and single, 1011 McClure St., off Vancouver.

BOARD and room for gentleman, private family, home comforts, central. Phone 2074L.

BOARD and room, also table board, very moderate charges, furnace, piano, on carline. 647 Niagara St. Phone 2655L.

BOARDING house, fully modern, steam heated, piano, good home cooking; also table board. 1054 Regent, corner Cook, between Pandora and Mason. Phone 5056L.

COMFORTABLE room and board, 10 minutes post office. 121 Menzies St. Phone 4240R.

GOOD board and room. 942 Pandora., $4.50 per week.

LARGE and well-furnished room in quiet house, board if desired, on carline and near Parliament Bldgs. 116 Menzies. Phone 413.

ROOMS on seafront, two minutes from car; board if desired. Box 1842, Colonist.

ROOMS from $1.50 up, with board $6. 1116 North Park St.

ROOM and board, private, near car. 115 Croft St., off Niagara.

SELECT rooms and board for gentlemen, every home comfort, use of piano and phone. 957 Meares St.

511 Government St., room and board, three meals a day, from $5 per week.

WANTED—ROOM AND BOARD

YOUNG lady would like to go as paying guest from Dec. 27 to Jan. 3 to an Old Country family in the country. Apply Box 1846, Colonist.

MONEY TO LOAN

LOANS—We have the following sums to loan on improved property, $500, $780, $1,000, $1,500. Pemberton & Blaikie, Sayward Blk.

MONEY to loan on outside property, small agreements of sale bought. Box 1612, Colonist.

NOTICE to Investors—A local board of Old Country directors is prepared to advise English investors on safe local investments. Apply 907 Pemberton Bldg., Victoria. Phone 3296.

TO RENT—MISCELLANEOUS

A CONCRETE building, wholesale district, for warehouse. 223 Pemberton Bldg.

FOR RENT—The two upper flats in the C. Lens and Leiser bldg., 527 Yates st., from 1st February next., at a moderate rental. Apply on premises.

WANTED TO RENT—MISCEL.

WANTED to Rent—Second-hand five-passenger Ford by the month, private driving by retired Ford owner, best of care. Dunford's, 311 Union Bank Bldg.

TEACHERS WANTED

MALE teacher wanted, married, for Colwood school; salary $75 a month; house found. Apply Secretary.

PRINCIPAL—Male or female, for Courtenay public school, duties to commence Jan., 1914, salary $85 per month to begin. Apply Mrs. Jessie McQuillan, Secretary Board Trustees, Courtenay.

WANTED—Female teacher, B. C. certificate, younger classes and sewing, $60 per month. E. Guns, secretary, South Cowichan.

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Real Estate, Timber, Mines and Coal Lands. Phone 2259. P. O. Box 860.
124, 125 and 126 Pemberton Bldg., Victoria.
Vancouver Office, Winch Bldg.
Members Victoria Real Estate Exchange.

IDEAL country residence on river, close to railway station, with about ¾ mile river frontage, both banks, splendid fishing and shooting, fine new house with electric light, water, etc., garage; about two hours' motor ride from Victoria; sufficient acreage with house, etc.

LAKES near Victoria, only ½ hour motor ride from Victoria. Splendid fishing and shooting, would make fine country residence. 320 acres. This property cannot be duplicated.

COWICHAN River, about 30 acres, both banks river, has the finest fishing reach on river.

PORT Hardy—The future northern terminus of railway system on Vancouver Island. Lots can be bought on terms, $25 down and $15 every three months without interest. New hotel, sawmill at Port Hardy.

TIMBER—We have the largest list of timber properties in B. C. with 48,000,000,000 feet.

TIMBER titles, Crown grants, E. & N. Railway, B. C. licenses, Dominion licenses.

TIMBER—Finest Crown Grant timber, 27,000 acres, near rail and driveable river, no royalty; two billion feet, $5 per cent first-class cedar.

TIMBER—E. & N. title, on rail, 190,000,000 feet, $5 per cent fir, no royalty.

TIMBER—V. L., 50 sections licensed, 19 cents per thousand.

R. G. MELLIN

Sooke Real Estate Office

SOOKE Homesites—Beautifully wooded lots, from ¾ to 1 acre. Centrally situated on the main road, overlooking the harbor and with water and telephone connections at hand. Prices, back lots $300 and $400, front lots from $850.

SOOKE Bay—Waterfront acreage of exceptional beauty, at from $150 per acre.

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Real Estate, Financial, Insurance Agents and Accountants. Room 212 Central Building. Phone 3064.

DESIRABLE residential and business properties for sale.

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TEN acres close to station, school, church, etc., city water and electric light available; ideal for poultry plant, $500 per acre.

SOOKE REALTY COMPANY

W. Miller Higgs. A. Percy Rayment

FOR poultry farms, 5-acre lots or more, good soil, near to Sooke P. O., with good road frontage on main road; now being logged off; $100 per acre; terms, $100 cash and $10 per month.

BEAUTIFUL waterfront Summer home sites on Sooke Harbor, Sooke River and straits.

ACREAGE for sale from $15; partly improved from $15.

CALL and see us. Offices Sooke and Nootka Sooke. Daily auto service from Victoria.

A. KENNINGTON

Cowichan, B. C. Real Estate

10 1-2 acres, 10 acres cleared, all good land, nine-roomed modern house, water by gravity, good barn, houses for 500 chickens, room brooder, one mile from station and post office, half mile from school and church; price $6,500; $3,000 cash.

7-10 acre waterfront Cowichan Bay, half mile from wharf, finished cottage, good water laid on; price $1,500; $500 cash.

NOTICE

To Edward Ensel, Esq., Victoria, B. C. And to Arthur Tyrrell, Esq., Victoria, B. C.

Take notice that the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Company requires from you, for the purpose of its railway on Vancouver Island, all your estate and interest in the lands hereinafter described, and will take under the provisions of the Railway Act:

All that piece or parcel of land extending along the centre line of the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Company's right-of-way through that part of Section Three (3), Range IV East, South Saanich, as described in deed deposited in the Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C., and numbered 14467, and lying thirty-three feet (33 ft.) at right angles to and on either side of said centre line, said centre line being more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the intersection of said centre line with the northern boundary of said part of said section, said intersection being distant six hundred and eighteen feet (618 ft.) westerly from the northeast corner of said part of said section; thence southerly for a distance of two hundred and forty-six feet (246 ft.) more or less, to a point on the southern boundary of said part of said section, distant five hundred and ninety-six and six-tenths feet (596.6 ft.) westerly from the southeast corner of said part of said section, said right-of-way containing thirty-seven one-hundredths acres (37-100 ac.) more or less, as shown colored red on attached plan.

And take notice that the power intended to be exercised by the said Railway Company with regard to the land above described is the taking of the land in fee simple for the purpose of constructing the said railway and works thereon and operating the same.

And further take notice that the said Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Company are ready and willing and hereby offer to pay the sum of four hundred dollars ($400) as the total compensation for the land above described, and the estate and interest therein you, the said Edward Ensel, and the said Arthur Tyrrell, or either of you, possess in the said lands, and for any damage caused to other lands of you, the said Edward Ensel, and the said Arthur Tyrrell, or either of you, by the taking thereof and by the exercise of the powers of the said company on the said lands taken.

BODWELL & LAWSON,
For the Canadian Northern Pacific Railway Company.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 23rd day of October, A. D. 1913.

NOTICE

In the Matter of the Estate of Henry Ruckle, Late of Salt Spring Island, British Columbia, Deceased.

TAKE NOTICE that probate of the will of Henry Ruckle, deceased, has been issued to Ella Anna Ruckle, the Executrix, and Daniel Henry Ruckle, the Executor, in the said will named.

And further take notice that all persons having any claims against the said estate are required to send full particulars thereof, duly verified, to the undersigned on or before the 5th day of January, 1914, and all persons indebted to the said estate are required to pay the amount of their indebtedness forthwith.

After the said 5th day of January, 1914, the said Executrix and Executor will proceed to distribute the estate of the said deceased among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims they shall then have had notice of.

Dated this 21st day of November, A. D. 1913.

THORNTON FELL,
Chancery Chambers, Langley Street, Victoria, B. C., Solicitor for the Executrix and Executor.

WATER NOTICE

Application for a license to take and use water will be made under the "Water Act" of British Columbia, as follows: 1. The name of the applicant is O. M. Jones. 2. The address of the applicant is Jones Block, Fort Street, Victoria, B. C. 3. The stream is unnamed. The stream has its source in a spring on Lot 5, of Lot 1, Section 2, Metchosin District, flows in an easterly direction, and empties into the road ditch. 4. The water is to be diverted from the stream. 5. The purpose for which the water will be used is domestic. 6. The land on which the water is to be used is described as follows: Lots 4, 5 and 6, of Lot 1, Section 2, Metchosin District, L. R. O. 1224. 7. The quantity of water applied for is as follows, one second foot. 8. This notice was posted on the ground on the 24th day of November, 1913. 9. A copy of this notice and an application pursuant thereto and to the requirements of the "Water Act" will be filed in the office of the Water Recorder at Victoria. Objections may be filed with the said Water Recorder, or with the Comptroller of Water Rights, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B. C.

OSWALD MEREDITH JONES,
Applicant.
J. A. WILLIAMS,
Agent.

NAVIGABLE WATER PROTECTION ACT

NOTICE is hereby given that Sidney Rubber Roofing Company, Limited, having its registered office at 313-4 Jones Building, Victoria, B. C., is applying to His Excellency the Governor-General of Canada in Council for approval of the area, plans, site and description of the works proposed to be constructed in Bazan Bay, North Saanich District, British Columbia, being said state, lying and being part of Section Ten (10), Range Four (4) East, in the District of North Saanich aforesaid, and has deposited the area and site plans of the proposed works and descriptions thereof with the Minister of Public Works at Ottawa, and a duplicate thereof with the Registrar General of Titles at the Land Registry Office at the City of Victoria, British Columbia, and that the matter will be proceeded with at the expiration of one month from the time of the first publication of this notice in The Canada Gazette.

Dated this 4th day of December, 1913.

SIDNEY RUBBER ROOFING COMPANY, LIMITED.
By its solicitor, Harold Despard Twigg, 312-4 Jones Building, Victoria, B. C.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that W. J. Pendray & Sons, Limited, will, at the expiration of one month from the date hereof, apply to the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies for a change of name to British America Paint Company, Limited.

Dated this 29th day of November, 1913.

HARRIS, BULL, HANNINGTON & MASON,
Solicitors for the Applicants.
Vancouver, B. C.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Messrs. EDWARDS & FULLER
AUCTIONEERS

Will continue to sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION
AT
709 Fort Street
TONIGHT
At 7:30 o'clock

The balance of the valuable

Diamond Jewelry, Silverware and Cutlery

This stock to be cleared out absolutely without reserve.

EDWARDS & FULLER
1119 Fort Street. Phone 2149

Messrs. EDWARDS & FULLER
AUCTIONEERS

Will continue to sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION
AT
643 Pandora Street
TODAY
At 2 o'clock

The balance of the

Millinery Stock

Smallwares, etc., at the above store.

EDWARDS & FULLER
1119 Fort Street. Phone 2149

TONIGHT

LIST & FRANCIS
AUCTIONEERS

Will sell at our MART, FISGUARD STREET, at 7:30 o'clock

DRESS GOODS, CASH REGISTER, BOOTS, GROCERIES, ETC.

List & Francis Auctioneers
646 Fisguard Street

SHERIFF'S SALE

Real Estate

Under and by virtue of an Order of Court made by His Honor Judge Lampman, dated December 26, 1913, and to me directed, I will offer for sale at Public Auction at my office, Law Court, Bastion Street, Victoria, on Thursday, the 8th day of January, 1914, at the hour of 11 o'clock a.m., the valuable Victoria City property, being city lot 1615, situate at the southeast corner of Yates and Langley Streets, together with the two-storey brick building thereon, subject to such charges or encumbrances as appear upon the Register affecting the said land at the Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C., prior to the filing in the said office of the mechanics' liens on either of them in respect of which the above-mentioned Order of Court is made. Abstract of title can be seen on application at my office. Terms of sale, cash.

F. G. RICHARDS,
Sheriff.

Sheriff's Office, Victoria, B. C.
December 26, 1913.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the Matter of the Estate of Isabella Low, Late of the City of Victoria, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that all persons having any claims or demands against the late Isabella Low, who died on the 28th day of October, 1913, at the City of Victoria, are required to send by post, prepaid or to deliver to the undersigned, solicitors herein for Vivian Low and Arthur William Simmons, executors under the will of the said Isabella Low, their names and addresses and full particulars in writing of their claims and statements of their accounts and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them.

AND take notice that after the 24th day of January, 1914, the said executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which they shall then have had notice, and that the said executors will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person of whose claim they shall not then have received notice.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., the 23rd day of December, 1913.

BARNARD & BULLOCK-WEBSTER,
Law Chambers, Bastion Street, Victoria, B. C., solicitors for the said executors.

SHERIFF'S SALE

REAL ESTATE

Under and by virtue of an order of court, made by His Honor Judge Lampman and to me directed, I will offer for sale at Public Auction, at my office, Law Courts, Bastion Street, Victoria, on Friday the 2nd day of January, 1914, at the hour of 11 o'clock, a.m., an undivided half of lot twenty (20), Block "F," Fairfield Estate, Victoria City, Map 340. Terms of sale, cash.

Particulars

Undivided half of lot 20, Block "F," Fairfield Estate, Victoria City, Map 340.

Plaintiff, Pete Grulch.

Defendants, E. Jones and J. W. Paterson.

Registered charges, mortgage (inter alia) dated 4th June, 1912, for $1,000 at 7 per cent in favor of Arthur Walter from Frank Jones and Sarah Jones (C. R., Vol. 23, Fol. 419, No. 10,304, G.), date of registration, 10th December, 1912. Mortgage dated 9th August, 1912, for $500 at 8 per cent, in favor of the British Columbia Land & Investment Agency, Limited, from Sarah Jones and Frank Jones, (C. R., Vol. 25, Fol. 11, No. 12,143 G.). Date of registration, January 3, 1913.

Mortgage dated 18th October, 1912, for $1,000, at 8 per cent, in favor of the British Columbia Land & Investment Agency, Limited, from Frank Jones and Sarah Jones, (C. R., Vol. 25, Fol. 189, No. 14,928, G.). Date of registration, February 22, 1913.

Application for registration, none.
Assignment for benefit of creditors, none.
Judgments against F. Jones for $715.50 in favor of Pete Grulch, registered 10th January, 1913, at 10:10 a. m., No. 7,756.
Mechanics' liens, none.

F. G. RICHARDS,
Sheriff, County of Victoria.

Sheriff's Office, Victoria, B. C., December 26, 1913.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

In the matter of the Winding Up Act, and
In the matter of Hallwards', Limited

The creditors of the above named Company are required on or before Monday, the 19th day of January, A.D. 1914, to send their names and addresses, and the particulars of their debts or claims, and the names and addresses of their solicitors, if any, to Charles A. Forsythe, of 703 Pemberton Building, Fort Street, Victoria, B.C., the Official Liquidator of the said Company, and if so required, in writing, by notice from the said Official Liquidator, are by their solicitors to come in and prove their said debts or claims at the Court House, Victoria, B.C., at such time and place as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they shall be excluded from the benefit of any distribution before such debts are proved.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 18th day of December, A.D. 1913.

HARVEY COMBE,
Deputy District Registrar.

FOR THE MAYORALTY

To the Electors:

In presenting myself before you as a candidate for the office of mayor, I have pleasure in stating a few of the principal matters which would have my special care and attention, if elected.

First. As regards the Sooke water, the completion of this work by the end of 1914 ought to be pressed forward. I would endeavour to secure the prosecution of the work so that the interests of our own workmen and merchants would be protected, always with a due regard to economy.

Second. I think there ought to be a commission appointed to report upon the best means of utilizing Elk Lake so that this property in which we have a large interest may be made productive of revenue should it at any time be no longer required for the immediate needs of the city.

Third. Better provision for the detention home for children should be made. With the increase of population comes the problem of dealing with children, who, because of inherited tendencies or of improper environment, are in danger of drifting into criminal ways and so of becoming a charge upon the community instead of a source of strength. To care for this class is the duty of the community and is an economic measure of self-protection that we owe to ourselves.

Fourth. It would be my earnest desire to promote every interest for the moral well-being of the city with a scrupulous regard for fair treatment all round and the proper enforcement of the laws governing the city's life. In the past I have consistently stood for these things and have never given an adverse vote where the moral interests of the community have been involved.

Fifth. Paving. I would aim at the early completion of the work under contract and thereafter the establishment of our own paving plant with a definite policy for the extension of the paved area year by year, as rapidly as possible and consistent with our financial ability.

Sixth. Financial matters will have my special attention. It will be necessary to practice economy during the next year. I am opposed to borrowing any further sums of money excepting for the Johnson Street bridge, and what is absolutely necessary for the School Board. Taxation must not be increased. Provision should be made for the local improvement works now in progress.

All Government property which is revenue producing should be taxable.

I will, if elected, give the same careful scrutiny to the financial affairs of the city which has enabled your present finance committee to present a clean balance sheet at the close of this year.

Seventh. It has been my privilege to give five years of service on the City Council, during which time I have acquired an intimate knowledge of the work done by the city during its period of greatest development. If elected I would give careful attention to every detail of business of the corporation and would be able to devote my time and energy in serving the interests of the entire community.

Yours respectfully,

W. A. GLEASON.

Ward III, Saanich

NOTICE

To Ratepayers:

It appears not to be widely known that I have been largely requisitioned to run as a resident candidate in opposition to Councillor S. Williams, who resides outside the ward, in No. 1.

GEORGE BLIZARD.
Gordon Head, Dec. 23, 1913.

Saanich Municipal Electors

The Saanich Central Ratepayers' Association wish all Saanich taxpayers

Prosperous New Year

To ensure the future prosperity of Saanich, vote for

Councillor George McGregor for Reeve

and his ticket for the Council as follows:

Ward 1. Councillor F. S. Borden.
Ward 2. Mr. A. R. Sherwood.
Ward 3. Councillor S. Williams.
Ward 4. Mr. J. O'Connell.
Ward 5. Mr. James A. Grant.
Ward 6. Mr. A. R. Colby.
Ward 7. Mr. J. Adams.

Committee Rooms
1236 Government Street
Phone 1650

Private Bills

Legislative Assembly.

NOTICE is hereby given that petitions for leave to introduce Private Bills, must be presented to the House on or before Monday, January 26, 1914.

Private Bills must be presented on or before Thursday, February 5, 1914.

The time limited for presenting Reports of Committees considering Private Bills, expires on Thursday, February 12, 1914.

THORNTON FELL,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

Dated this 17th day of December, 1914.

CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF OAK BAY
POUND NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that at 11 a.m., on Friday January 2, 1914, I will offer for sale at the Oak Bay Pound, situated on Granite Street, the following animal, one dark bay heavy colt, about 15 hands high, white star on forehead, has on leather headstall, unless pound fees and expenses are paid at or before the time of sale.

JOHN SYME,
Pound Keeper.

Oak Bay, B. C., December 27, 1913.

CITY OF VICTORIA

LOCAL IMPROVEMENT ASSESSMENT NOTICE

Pursuant to Section 33 of the "Local Improvement Act," public notice is hereby given that a Court of Revision will be held on the 7th day of January, 1914, at the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 10 o'clock a.m., for the hearing of complaints against the several special assessments in respect of certain works of local improvement executed on the following streets, respectively, namely:

1. Grading, draining and paving with Westrumite asphalt pavement and constructing sewer, surface drains and laterals on Vancouver Street, from Pandora Avenue to the south side of Burdette Avenue; Vancouver Street, from the south side of Burdette Avenue to Humboldt Street.

2. Grading, draining and paving with an asphaltic pavement and constructing curbs and gutters on both sides of said road, also lateral connections to sewer, surface drains and water mains on Esquimalt Road, from Bridge Street to Point Ellice Bridge.

3. Grading, draining and paving with wooden blocks View Street, from Government Street to Douglas Street, and constructing permanent sidewalks, with curbs and gutters on both sides of said street, from Government Street to Broad Street.

4. Expropriating the necessary property on Leonard Street, from its eastern terminus through to Cambridge Street; Burdette Avenue, from its eastern terminus to Linden Avenue; Bank Street, from Oak Bay Avenue to Cowan Avenue. The special assessment roll in respect of each of the above-mentioned local improvement works will be kept open for inspection at the office of the City Clerk, at the City Hall, Victoria, B. C., for at least ten days next before Wednesday, the 7th day of January, instant, the day appointed for the next sitting of the said Court of Revision.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, C. M. C.
City Clerk's Office, Victoria, B. C.
December 19, 1913

VICTORIA TRANSFER COMPANY

Horses for Sale

We have horses of all classes for sale and are ready at all times to exhibit such to intending purchasers. It will pay you to see us before purchasing.

Harness for Sale

We have new and second-hand sets—double and single—for sale at reasonable rates. Farmers should see these, as they are suitable for light driving.

Carriages

Do you know that our Glass Front Carriages are at your disposal at $2.00 per hour?

Victorias

If you wish, we can furnish a Victoria at $2.50 per hour. These vehicles accommodate three persons and are most suitable for ladies doing afternoon calling.

Livery

Better Single or Double Traps cannot be found on the Pacific Coast. Single Horse and Trap, Morning, $2.50; Afternoon, $3.00.

Boarders

We board your horse, look after your trap and harness, per month, $25.00.

Teams

We are prepared to supply teams for half a day at $5.00, excepting Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, when the charge will be, half a day, $7.50. For long distance, the office will furnish particulars.

Furniture Trucks

Furniture moving is an important undertaking. We have men who do nothing else. Our charges are, by the hour, $1.50. With an extra man to help the charges will be increased to $2.00 per hour.

Baggage and Express

In this department prompt delivery is the important factor. If you are catching a steamer or train, you like to know that your luggage or packages will be at the wharf or station in good time to depart with you. What is more annoying than searching for your belongings a minute before your steamer sails or your train pulls out? This is offset by our claim checks. Our drivers check your baggage at your residensce. You present the claim check to the baggage master—show your ticket—he then gives you the railway or steamer check, and that is all. You then go on your way rejoicing. If we cannot attend to your order we tell you and thus avoid suspense.

Express and General Drayage

We have thirty-seven Express and Delivery Wagons. For the use of one of these we make a charge of, per hour, $1.00.

Our Object

Is to please our patrons. We are responsible to them as to safety and damage done to furniture or goods. Our drivers, we believe, are civil and careful, and seldom knowingly overcharge. If by any chance a mistake occurs, come to the office or notify us at once. In other words, give us an opportunity to put right anything that displeases you.

Telephone 129

OPEN DAY AND NIGHT

Clearing Out the Balance of Our Toys

Tremendous Reductions Will Make Selling Easy Today

Beautiful Opera Cloaks in French and English Models

HOW to tell you about these Handsome Garments would be a puzzle for any author. So refined are they in both design and colorings, that it's absolutely impossible to describe them in a manner that will convey an adequate idea of their beauty and good taste. To see these choice garments in the French Room on First Floor is the only way to do them justice.

Most are French and English models in draped effects, and some are handsomely trimmed with sable fur, while others have trimmings of Oriental design. The new "Tango" shade, as well as all the new leading colors, are here to choose from, in plain and brocaded silk velvets and plain and brocaded satins. All cloaks are lined throughout with silk or satin, with an interlining.

Handsome New Year Gifts at prices to suit all pocketbooks. Values from $25.00 to $150.00

A Special Clearing-Up of Odd Lines in Opera and Evening Gowns —Regular Values From $30.00 to $40.00 Clearing at $10.00

A Choice Selection of Handsome Furs

HANDSOME Furs of all descriptions and in all the fashionable shapes are to be seen in the department on first floor. Furs make lasting gifts—gifts that are appreciated by every lady. Why not give Her a Set for the New Year?

Marabou Sets, in the short neck ruffs, and in all colors, from $6.00 to $12.00

Marabou Sets, as above, in the long throw-stoles, varying from 65 to 72 inches, in a good range of qualities, from $7.50 to $45.00

Muffs to Match. Novelty sets in marabou, with ribbon trimmings and shirred linings, from $35.00 to $50.00

A Very Handsome Labrador Mink Fur Set, with the shoulder cape and big cushion muff, trimmed with heads and tails. A most handsome New Year's gift..... $300.00

Fitch Set, with long scarf reaching to knees, and huge pillow muff. Price only $120.00

Combination Squirrel and Hudson Bay Seal Set, beautifully lined with satin. The set $90.00

Moleskin Stoles, numerous sets ranging in prices from $9.75 to $65.00

Muffs to Match from $9.75 to $45.00

Black Fox Set, with shoulder cape, trimmed with heads and tails; huge pillow muff trimmed in same manner. The set $80.00

Goat Sets, muff and stole, for .. $5.00

We are also offering a few very special values at $2.50, $4.75, $6.75, $9.75, $13.75 and $19.75

—First Floor

Skating Shoes We Recommend

THE Lightning Hitch is a brand of Skating Boots that will convince you of its worth as soon as you see it. It looks a strong and practical style, and is as practical and serviceable as it looks.

There is sufficient support for the ankles in the Lightning Hitch without lacing up the shoe. This support comes from the extra piece inside of the shoe. It is made of a strong fabric, and extends from the instep to well above the ankles, and, as the name implies, is fastened in an instant. All these shoes are made of the best leathers that can be secured, and are made on the most comfortable and attractive lasts. There is nothing like seeing this line of shoes to convince the skater that they are the most dependable shoe that has yet been introduced, and they are by far the neatest in style.

For Men, in black and tan calf with spring heel. Per pair $3.50

For Women, in black box calf with heels or spring heels. Per pair $3.00

In tan calf, with heels only. Price, per pair $3.50

For Misses, in black box calf, with spring heels. Per pair $3.00

For Boys, in black and tan calf with spring heels. Per pair $3.00

Leather Ankle Supports. Per pair, 25c

Skates Attached Free

—First Floor

Splendid Values in Woolen Hose for Women and Children

Women's Plain and Ribbed Cashmere Hose, in a fine quality for wear, and one we recommend. Per pair 35c, 3 pairs for $1.00

Women's Cashmere Hose, a splendid quality, at, per pair..... 50c

Other values at, per pair, 75c, $1.00 and $1.25

Little Darling Hose, the best for young children, in all shades. Per pair 25c

Boys' and Girls' Cashmere Hose, an extra good line and a quality that will give every satisfaction in wear. In all sizes, in 1 in 1 and 2 in 1 ribbed. Priced according to size, per pair, 35c to 75c

Boys' Wool Hose, in sizes 6 to 8½ in., an extra good quality. Special, per pair, today, 35c, 3 pairs $1.00

—Main Floor

New Dainty Corset Covers

SUCH neat, dainty garments cannot fail to please—and they are just what's wanted for wear under your new evening dress.

Corset Cover. The back is of fine lawn and front of all-over embroidery, neck and sleeve finished with lace and ribbon. Each..... 50c

Corset Cover, made of all-over eyelet embroidery, neck and sleeve finished with fine Torchon lace. Splendid value for..... 75c

Corset Cover, made of fine mercerized nainsook; has a deep yoke of heavy lace, prettified with beading and satin ribbon; neck and armholes finished with lace. An extra special value at $1.00

—First Floor

Children's Flannelette Nightgowns

A SPLENDID range of qualities is now being shown in the department on first floor, and all mothers who are in need of new gowns for their children should certainly see these values. They are to be had in a variety of styles in both white and pink. Some are plain, others are neatly finished with yokes and embroidery. All sizes for girls from 2 to 16 years are to be had, and the prices vary from—

2 to 6 years at 50c to.... $1.15

8 to 16 years at 65c to.... $1.15

One very special value is made from an extra heavy quality white flannelette. It is made in the plain style without yoke, but it's good; finished with pocket and feather-stitching. Sizes from 2 to 12 years at prices from 35c to.... $1.15

—First Floor

Excellent Values in Women's Aprons

Overall Aprons, made with sleeves in Princess style; material is of plain grey gingham, and you can choose from light and dark shades. Price each $1.25

Overall Aprons, made from heavy striped linen, trimmed with bands of dark blue. Each $1.25

Overall Aprons, in a large assortment of styles, made from plain gingham, also striped print. Excellent values at $1.00

Allover Aprons, in checked ginghams and plain and striped print; made in various styles. One particularly good line is in slip-over style and has kimono sleeve. Special values at 75c

Kitchen Aprons of blue and white checked print with fancy border. Each 25c

A large assortment of Nurses' and Waitress' Aprons at all prices.

—First Floor

Books for Children, With Superior Illustrations

Grimm's Fairy Tales. Illustrated by Noel Pocock. $3.00

Cecil Aldin's Happy Family $2.75

The Children's Blue Bird..... $2.75

Locomotive of the World..... $1.75

The Book of Baby Beasts $2.50

The Book of Baby Birds $2.50

Poems of Childhood. By Githa Sowerby $1.25

Cecil Aldin's Books at 40c to $2.75

In books for children at 10c, 15c, 25c, 35c and 60c we have an enormous range.

—Main Floor

ALL Toys left over from our Christmas sale will be cleared out today at specially reduced prices. This will be an exceptional opportunity for those who are planning Christmas trees for Sunday school treats, parties or entertainments to secure some wonderful bargains. At time of going to print it's impossible to say just what goods will be left over, so we are unable to quote prices. Come and share in the many bargains.

—Second Floor

Specials in Men's and Boys' Coat Sweaters Today

HERE are two very special offerings in Coat Sweaters for men and boys. Either of these would make a splendid New Year's gift.



The Men's Coat Sweaters are made from all-wool in a fine knit, and have military or large coat collars. A fine quality Sweater and one that will outlast several of the cheaper kinds. The colors include slate with maroon, tan with grey, myrtle with cardinal, khaki with maroon; also in plain shades, tan, slate and khaki. Sizes, 36 to 42. Special today $3.95

The Boys' Sweater is also in a fine knit, and a dandy line for school wear. The colors are fawn, grey, slate, navy blue, and cardinal with green facings. These Coats have nice military collars and fit snugly in the neck. Regular $1.25 value. Special today $1.00

—Main Floor

Today's Candy Specials

Almond Butterscotch. Per lb. 25c

Broken Peppermint Candy. Per lb. 20c

Molasses Peppermints. Regular 40c per lb. for..... 25c

Toasted Marshmallows. Regular 40c per lb. for..... 25c

Vienna Rolls. Per box... 25c

Cadbury's Select Chocolates at, per tin, 70c and..... 35c

Whipped Cream and Pineapple. Per cake 5c

Fry's Cream Bars. Each.... 1c

—Main Floor

Ladies' Long Gloves

Trefousse White Glace Kid Gloves, beautiful, soft finish, 16-button length. Per pair $3.25

20-button length. Per pair $4.00

Trefousse Suede Gloves, in black and white, 16-button length. Per pair.... $3.00

Kayser Silk Gloves, in white, cream, sky, pink and champagne, 16-button length. Per pair $1.25

20-button length. Per pair $1.75

—Main Floor

Blankets, Flannelette Sheets and Wool-Filled Comforters Marked Low

MONEY invested in blankets, flannelette sheets, and comforters of sterling quality, is money well spent. Bedding that gives the greatest satisfaction is that which has the greatest warmth with the least weight, and that's just the reason why the best is the cheapest in the long run.

Heavy bedding is detrimental to your rest, the muscles are constantly strained to support the weight, and you wake up less refreshed than you should be. Good blankets, appropriate sheetings, and light but warm comforters have the opposite and more desirable effect, and give you perfect comfort and rest.

In purchasing our stock, we took all these facts into consideration, and have secured a fine line that we are confident will meet all requirements and give you entire satisfaction.

White Wool Blankets. Here are three different classes that are divided into various grades, so you have a nice range to choose from. They range from the light weight cotton mixture up to the thick and fleecy, all-wool lines that are so desirable. Compare the qualities we are now offering with any that you have seen marked at similar prices in the past. Light weight grades range from $5.00 a pair down to $3.00. Medium grades range from $7.50 down to $5.00. Soft and fleecy all-wool blankets range from $10.00 a pair down to $8.00

Flannelette Sheets. That this line is finding a ready sale is not the slightest wonder. So soft, pleasant to the touch, light but warm, are qualities that should make this line popular even if the prices were much higher.

Here are some fine values well worth investigating: Crib size comes at, per pair, 75c and 50c, 10-4 size at $1.35, 11-4 size at $1.75 and 12-4 size at $1.95. Intermediate sizes at $1.75 and $1.85

Wool-Filled Comforters. Quite a variety of cosy comforters are now waiting for your inspection, and as the prices are moderate, they should prove a temptation to even the most economical woman to add one or more of them to her stock of bedding. They come in beautiful silkoline, sateen, or muslin covers, and are filled with fluffy sanitary filling. Choice colorings and designs are here, and the prices range from $4.00 down to $1.75

Pillow Cases. Your choice from plain or hemstitched styles is here in a variety of qualities. There is a plain hemmed pillow case made from a strong but soft cotton, that runs at $2.00 a dozen, and a superior line that comes in either the plain or the hemstitched finish, that is a splendid value at $2.50. Better lines made from a good English cambric are marked at only $3.00 a dozen, and at $4.00 there is a very desirable line made of a heavy white cotton that is free from dressing.

—Main Floor

Cutlery and Hardware Novelties for New Year Gifts

Brush and Comb Trays, in fancy brass and copper, and all are in very neat shapes. A splendid selection of qualities at, per pair, $1.50 to $4.50

Smoking Sets in a fine quality of china, comprising tobacco jar, cigar jar, match stand, ash tray and large fancy tray. Complete set at $2.50 and $3.90

Egg Stands—Exceptional values are now being shown, and they are worthy of your careful inspection. The styles are all new.

Stands for two eggs $1.00

Stands for four eggs $1.75

Stands for six eggs $2.75

Biscuit Jars in very neat designs. Each $1.00, $1.25 and $1.75

—Second Floor

Boys' and Youths' Overcoats Sell at Nearly Half—Regular $12.50 Values Today $6.75



THIS is, without a doubt, one of the finest opportunities of the season for you to secure for your boys a really good serviceable Overcoat. The price has been cut nearly in half, which alone speaks for itself; but when you see what fine qualities these Coats are you will not wonder at our being enthusiastic over them.

These Coats are made from such materials as Meltons, Beavers and Heavy-Weight Tweeds, and you can choose from the single or double-breasted styles, with plain or velvet collars and belt backs. Coats that have been selling throughout the season at $12.50, marked for special clearance today at.... $6.75

A Special Clean-Up of Men's House Coats and Smoking Jackets

THE entire balance of our Christmas stock of Men's House Coats and Smoking Jackets is to be cleared out today at one-third off regular prices. This will enable those who did not secure one before Christmas to do so now at a big price saving. There's a good assortment of shades and patterns, and most sizes are to be had.

Regular values to $7.50 for..... $4.90

Regular values to $12.50 for..... $7.75

—Main Floor

Men's Fancy Knitted Vests

Regular $3.00 Values Selling at $1.75

Regular $4.75 Values Selling at $2.75

Regular $7.00 Values Selling at $3.75

THESE low prices will tempt many a man to buy for himself or his friend a nice new Fancy Vest to wear during the cold weather. Although we have marked the prices down to the lowest notch, the quality still remains the same—the highest at its original price. Take advantage of this special offer and secure one of these Vests today. They are all in the Fancy Knitted Styles, with plain or bound edges, and they are to be had in a large assortment of colors, including greys, greens, fawns and browns; also fancy stripes and dots.

—Main Floor

Men's and Boys' Seasonable Furnishings—Suitable for New Year Gifts

SEE the splendid values we are offering in Men's, Youths' and Boys' Furnishings, suitable for New Year's gifts. There's a satisfying variety, and the prices will please you.

Scarfs and Mufflers for men and boys, in wool mixtures, long shape and in colors khaki, navy, white, champagne and grey. Special value 50c

Mufflers for men or women, long shape, 9 inches wide, honeycomb knit, wool mixtures, all colors and white. Each 75c

Shaped Mufflers for men or women, with turnover collar, in mercerized knitted cotton. Very comfortable and warm. All colors and white. Each 50c

Boys' Mufflers, with high collar and piece for chest protection, in colors and white. Each 50c

Men's and Women's Better Grade Silk and Wool Mufflers and Silk Mufflers, in the long shapes, at prices from, each, $6.00 to $1.00

Men's Jap Silk Handkerchiefs, hemstitched borders, with initial. Plain white only. Each 50c and 25c Without initial, $1.25, 75c, 50c, 25c

Men's White Linen and Cambric Handkerchiefs, Irish manufacture, with or without initial. Very suitable for New Year's gifts.

Men's Fine Linen Handkerchiefs, hemstitched borders, with plain initial. Each 25c

Packed in fancy New Year's boxes, per dozen $3.00

Men's Fine White Linen Handkerchiefs, hemstitched border, with fancy initial. Each 35c

In fancy New Year's box, per dozen $4.00, or half dozen $2.00

—Main Floor

Exceptionally Good Values in Men's Gloves and Neckwear

THE Christmas rush is over and now we must begin to straighten up our stocks a little. The following offerings are exceptionally good values and will make appropriate New Year's gifts.

Men's Undressed Kid Gloves, English make and a good quality, in silk lined, also unlined. Tan and grey colors only. Regular $1.25 value. Today, per pair 75c

Men's Silk-Lined Tan Kid Gloves. Special, per pair $1.25

In better grades at, per pair, $1.50 to $2.50

Men's Kid Gloves, in tan and brown colors, wool lined. Splendid values at, per pair 75c

Better grades up to $1.50

Undressed Tan Kid Gloves for street wear, from, per pair, 75c to $2.50

Wool-Lined Undressed Kid Gloves for cold weather wear, from, per pair, 75c to $2.75

Men's Ties, four-in-hand style, in plain and fancy silks, neatly packed in fancy boxes. Special values at 25c

Silk and Knitted Neckwear, suitable for New Year's gifts, in plain and fancy colors. Special values, each, $1.00, 75c and 50c

Bows and Made-Up Knots in a good assortment of colors. Each..... 25c

Novelties in Men's Furnishings

ANY of the following offerings would make acceptable New Year's gifts. They are good value and reliable qualities.

Men's Arm Ties, in a pretty, fancy box. All colors and prices from, per pair, 75c to 25c

Tie and Scarf Pin Combination Sets, consisting of Silk Four-in-Hand Tie, Scarf Pin and Tie Clip to match. Per set $2.00

Men's Braces, in fancy stripe and plain web, good kid ends; packed in a fancy box. Per pair 50c

Men's Silk Web Braces, with kid ends, all colors; packed in fancy box. Special per pair $1.25

Men's Watch Fobs, black silk ribbon with good gilt trimmings. Special each $2.50

Men's Cuff Links, Scarf Pins, Tie Clips and Fancy Jewelry, suitable for New Year's gifts, from 25c to.... $1.50

—Main Floor

Men, Buy Regular $2.50 Flannel Shirts Today for $1.95

MOST Suitable Shirts for business or country wear. They are British made, and come in a medium-weight flannel; cut roomy in the body, finished with white sateen neckbands and soft band cuffs. The colors come in light and dark fancy stripes, and in sizes from 14½ to 17 neck.

Splendid Value Shirts at a bargain price. Regular $2.50 values for $1.95

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